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1 **[REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION**

2 **ON APRIL 3, 2007 BEGINS ON PAGE 140.]**

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6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING
7 IS NOW IN SESSION. ASK EVERYONE TO-- SHHH. THANK YOU. ASK
8 EVERYONE TO PLEASE STAND FOR THE INVOCATION AND THE PLEDGE OF
9 ALLEGIANCE. THE INVOCATION WILL BE LED BY FATHER VICTOR VARGAS
10 OF THE SAINT MALACHY CHURCH OF LOS ANGELES AND THE PLEDGE WILL
11 BE LED BY GORDON MEHEULA, SERGEANT FIRST CLASS, UNITED STATES
12 ARMY RESERVES, VISITING FROM HAWAII OR FROM HAWAII. I DON'T
13 KNOW IF YOU'RE VISITING. FATHER?

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15 **FATHER VICTOR VARGAS:** GOOD MORNING. I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR
16 MOLINA FOR INVITING ME THIS MORNING. OUR PRAYER. IN THIS HOLY
17 WEEK, WE WOULD LIKE TO CONSECRATE OUR LIVES AND ASK FOR YOUR
18 _____ SO THAT, WHILE _____ IN THIS
19 SESSION _____ OUR AND ADVANCES FOR THE PEOPLE WE
20 SERVE AND THE ONES THAT WE WOULD LIKE TO SERVE EVERY DAY WITH
21 LOVE AND GENEROSITY. BLESS US AND MAKE US PRAY TOGETHER SO
22 THAT WE CAN RESURRECT WITH YOU. WE ASK THIS, FATHER, ON THE
23 NAME OF YOUR SON, AMEN.



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1 **GORDON MEHEULA:** WILL THE AUDIENCE PLEASE FACE THE FLAG AND
2 PLACE YOUR RIGHT HAND OVER YOUR HEART AND JOIN ME IN THE
3 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. [PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE]

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA.

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7 **SUP. MOLINA:** IT GIVES ME GREAT PLEASURE TO PRESENT A
8 CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION TO FATHER VICTOR VARGAS. SINCE
9 2003, FATHER VICTOR VARGAS HAS SERVED AT SAINT MALACHY CHURCH
10 IN THE FLORENCE-FIRESTONE AREA OF LOS ANGELES. FATHER VARGAS
11 IS A NATIVE OF COLUMBIA, RECEIVED HIS BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN
12 THEOLOGY FROM THE SAN GILD COLOMBIA IN 1965 AND HIS
13 POSTGRADUATE DEGREE IN 1970. HE LEADS A THRIVING CONGREGATION
14 AND HE HAS DEVELOPED MANY NEW GROUPS HELPING IMPROVE SERVICES
15 AT SAINT MALACHY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AND HE ENCOURAGES LOCAL
16 RESIDENTS TO BECOME INVOLVED IN THEIR OWN COMMUNITY. FATHER
17 VARGAS IS A MEMBER OF OUR OWN FLORENCE FIRESTONE COMMUNITY
18 ENHANCEMENT TEAM, WHICH IS A COLLABORATIVE EFFORT WITH THE
19 COUNTY AND THE COMMUNITY TO IMPROVE OUR SERVICES IN THE
20 FLORENCE-FIRESTONE AREA. WE WANT TO THANK FATHER FOR ALL OF
21 HIS EFFORTS IN THE COMMUNITY AND HIS LEADERSHIP AND ALSO FOR
22 LEADING US IN OUR INVOCATION THIS MORNING. [APPLAUSE]

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24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIRMAN, GORDON MEHEULA IS A RETIRED
25 SERGEANT FROM THE UNITED STATES ARMY. HE'S IN THE ARMY RESERVE



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1 CURRENTLY AS A SERGEANT FIRST CLASS. HE SERVED IN VIETNAM. HE
2 IS FROM HAWAII, A GRADUATE OF MCKINLEY HIGH SCHOOL IN HONOLULU
3 AND ATTENDED HONOLULU COMMUNITY COLLEGE AND THE ITT TECH
4 INSTITUTE. HE'S CURRENTLY A VOLUNTEER WITH OUR DEPARTMENT OF
5 VETERANS MILITARY SERVICES AND WILL BE COMING IN AS A FUTURE
6 INTERN IN OUR NEW PROGRAM WHERE WE PROVIDE INTERNSHIPS TO OUR
7 VETERANS WHO HAVE SERVED OUR MILITARY. SO, GORDON, THANK YOU
8 FOR COMING DOWN. HE'S A RESIDENT OF THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY
9 RESIDING IN COVINA-- WEST COVINA. [APPLAUSE]

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. MR. ANTONOVICH, THANK
12 YOU. CALL THE AGENDA.

13

14 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** GOOD MORNING, MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE
15 BOARD. WE WILL BEGIN TODAY'S AGENDA ON PAGE 4, NOTICES OF
16 CLOSED SESSION. ON ITEM CS-1, SUPERVISOR MOLINA REQUESTS THAT
17 THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON PAGE 8, AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE
18 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, ITEM 1-D.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** HANG ON. WHAT PAGE WAS ITEM CS-1
21 ON?

22

23 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 4.

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25 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. ITEM 1-D?



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2 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** YES.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** KNABE MOVES, MOLINA SECONDS.

5 UNANIMOUS VOTE.

6

7 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE HOUSING
8 AUTHORITY, ON ITEM 1-H, WE'LL HOLD THIS FOR A REPORT. ON ITEM
9 2-H, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, THE EXECUTIVE
10 DIRECTOR OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
11 CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO APRIL 10TH, 2007.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WITHOUT OBJECTION, THAT WILL BE
14 THE ORDER.

15

16 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE REGIONAL PARK
17 AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT, ITEM 1-P.

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** HANG ON A SECOND HERE. BURKE
20 MOVES, ANTONOVICH SECONDS. UNANIMOUS VOTE.

21

22 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, ITEMS 1 THROUGH 16.
23 ON ITEM 1, SUPERVISOR KNABE REQUESTS ONLY TO CONTINUE THE
24 APPOINTMENT OF THOMAS HOROWITZ TO THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
25 MEDICAL ASSOCIATION FOR ONE WEEK. THE REMAINDER OF THE



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1 APPOINTMENTS ARE BEFORE YOU. ON ITEM 2, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH
2 WOULD LIKE TO AMEND THE RECOMMENDATION TO ADD THE FOLLOWING
3 STATEMENT, "THE IMPLEMENTATION PROGRAM SHALL ADDRESS THE
4 INTENT TO EXPEDITE THE PROCESSING OF LAND USE APPLICATIONS BY
5 THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING" AND ALSO SUPERVISOR
6 YAROSLAVSKY WOULD LIKE TO AMEND THE RECOMMENDATIONS TO 120
7 DAYS INSTEAD OF 60 DAYS. THE REMAINING ARE BEFORE YOU.

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THAT WAS ON ITEM 2?

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11 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THAT WAS ON ITEM 2.

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13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AND THERE'S NOBODY THAT WANTS TO
14 BE HEARD ON THAT FROM THE PUBLIC?

15

16 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** NO.

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18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. KNABE MOVES, I'LL
19 SECOND, UNANIMOUS VOTE, WITH THE AMENDMENTS ON ITEM 2 AND, ON
20 ITEM 1, KNABE MOVES, I'LL SECOND, ALL THE APPOINTMENTS WITH
21 THE EXCEPTION OF DR. HOROWITZ.

22

23 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AND THEN ITEMS 3 THROUGH 16.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OH, I THOUGHT THAT-- KNABE MOVES,
2 MOLINA SECONDS. UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER, ITEMS 17
5 THROUGH 21. ON ITEM 17, AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA, THE
6 DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES REQUESTS THAT THIS
7 ITEM BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO APRIL 17TH, 2007, AND ALSO
8 SUPERVISOR MOLINA AND SUPERVISOR KNABE REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM
9 BE HELD. ON ITEM 18, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY REQUESTS THAT THIS
10 ITEM BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO APRIL 17TH, 2007. AND, ON ITEM
11 21, THERE IS A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD
12 THIS ITEM.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. AND THE REMAINDER...

15

16 **SUP. MOLINA:** I'D LIKE TO HOLD ITEM NUMBER 18.

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18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. ON THE REMAINDER, MOLINA
19 MOVES, KNABE SECONDS. UNANIMOUS VOTE.

20

21 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ARTS COMMISSION, ITEM 22.

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** BURKE MOVES, ANTONOVICH SECONDS.
24 UNANIMOUS VOTE.

25



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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AUDIT COMMITTEE, ITEMS 23 THROUGH 25.

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3 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** KNABE MOVES, BURKE SECONDS.

4 UNANIMOUS VOTE.

5

6 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** DISTRICT ATTORNEY, ITEMS 26 AND 27.

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ANTONOVICH MOVES, BURKE SECONDS.

9 UNANIMOUS VOTE.

10

11 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** MENTAL HEALTH, ITEMS 28 THROUGH 31. ON ITEM
12 28, SUPERVISOR BURKE REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. THE REST
13 ARE BEFORE YOU. 28.

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** 28. THAT WILL BE HELD.

16

17 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AND THE REST ARE BEFORE YOU.

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** KNABE MOVES, MOLINA SECONDS.

20 UNANIMOUS VOTE.

21

22 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** PARKS AND RECREATION, ITEMS 32 AND 33.

23

24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** KNABE MOVES, BURKE SECONDS.

25 UNANIMOUS VOTE.



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2 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** PUBLIC HEALTH, ITEM 34.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ANTONOVICH MOVES, MOLINA SECONDS.

5 UNANIMOUS VOTE.

6

7 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** PUBLIC WORKS, ITEMS 35 THROUGH 57. AND, ON

8 ITEM 57, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD

9 THIS ITEM.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. WE'LL HOLD ITEM 57. ON THE

12 BALANCE, MOLINA MOVES, KNABE SECONDS. UNANIMOUS VOTE.

13

14 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON PAGE 27, SHERIFF, ITEMS 58 AND 59.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ANTONOVICH MOVES, BURKE SECONDS.

17 UNANIMOUS VOTE.

18

19 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR, ITEM 60.

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** KNABE MOVES, MOLINA SECONDS.

22 UNANIMOUS VOTE.

23

24 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATION, ITEM 61.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ANTONOVICH MOVES, MOLINA SECONDS.
2 UNANIMOUS VOTE.

3

4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION, ITEMS 62
5 THROUGH 66 AND I'LL READ THE SHORT TITLES IN FOR THESE. ON
6 ITEM 62 AND 63, THESE ARE ORDINANCES SHORTENING THE TERMS OF
7 FRANCHISEES TO PROVIDE CABLE TELEVISION SERVICES IN THE
8 ROWLAND HEIGHTS UNINCORPORATED AREA GRANTED BY ORDINANCE
9 NUMBER 97-0046-F AND THE SOUTH UNINCORPORATED AREAS GRANTED BY
10 ORDINANCES NUMBER 97-0032-F AS AMENDED, REFLECTING A CHANGE IN
11 THE NAMES OF THE FRANCHISEES AND MAKING OTHER NON-SUBSTANTIVE
12 CHANGES.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THAT'S ON ITEM-- 62 AND 63, MOLINA
15 MOVES, KNABE SECONDS. UNANIMOUS VOTE.

16

17 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM 64 AND 65, THESE ARE ORDINANCES
18 EXTENDING THROUGH JANUARY 2ND, 2008 AND MAKING OTHER NON-
19 SUBSTANTIVE CHANGES TO THE FRANCHISES TO PROVIDE CABLE
20 TELEVISION SYSTEM SERVICES IN THE LAKE HUGHES UNINCORPORATED
21 AREA GRANTED BY ORDINANCE NUMBER 87-0057-F AS AMENDED TO CAP
22 T.V. ELECTRONICS INCORPORATED, A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION, AND
23 PALOS VERDES UNINCORPORATED AREA, GRANTED BY ORDINANCE NUMBER
24 89-0097-F AS AMENDED TO COXCOM INCORPORATED, A DELAWARE
25 CORPORATION.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ANTONOVICH MOVES, BURKE SECONDS.
3 UNANIMOUS VOTE.

4

5 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM 66, THIS IS AN ORDINANCE AMENDING
6 TITLE 3, ADVISORY COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES OF THE LOS
7 ANGELES COUNTY CODE TO RE-ADOPT CHAPTER 3.16, CITIZENS ECONOMY
8 AND EFFICIENCY COMMISSION AND ESTABLISH THE EXPIRATION DATE
9 THEREOF.

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11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** DID WE ALREADY DO 65?

12

13 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 64 AND 65 WERE COMBINED.

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. ITEM 66 BEFORE US, MOLINA
16 MOVES, KNABE SECONDS. UNANIMOUS VOTE.

17

18 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ORDINANCE FOR ADOPTION, ITEM 67.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** KNABE MOVES, MOLINA SECONDS.
21 UNANIMOUS VOTE.

22

23 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SEPARATE MATTERS, ON ITEM 68, WE'LL HOLD
24 THIS FOR A REPORT. PUBLIC HEARING, ON ITEM 69, SUPERVISOR



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1 YAROSLAVSKY REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO
2 APRIL 17TH, 2007.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THAT WILL BE THE ORDER.

5

6 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** MISCELLANEOUS, ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA
7 REQUESTED BY BOARD MEMBERS AND THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE
8 OFFICER, WHICH WERE POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF
9 THE MEETING, AS INDICATED ON THE GREEN SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA.
10 ITEM 70A.

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I'LL MOVE IT. BURKE SECONDS.
13 UNANIMOUS VOTE.

14

15 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 70B.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** BURKE MOVES, MOLINA SECONDS.
18 UNANIMOUS VOTE.

19

20 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 70C.

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22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** BURKE MOVES, MOLINA SECONDS,
23 UNANIMOUS VOTE.

24



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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE AGENDA.
2 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' SPECIAL ITEMS BEGIN WITH SUPERVISORIAL
3 DISTRICT NUMBER 3.

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5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, WE HAVE --
6 I'D LIKE TO ASK THE EL CAMINO REAL HIGH SCHOOL ACADEMIC
7 DECATHLON TEAM TO COME UP HERE. THAT'S YOU GUYS, RIGHT? COME
8 ON UP. WE'RE VERY HONORED TO HAVE THEM WITH US. HOT ON THE
9 HEELS OF THEIR TREMENDOUS VICTORY AND ACHIEVEMENT, ACADEMIC
10 ACHIEVEMENT IN BECOMING THE 2007 CALIFORNIA ACADEMIC DECATHLON
11 CHAMPIONS. LET'S GIVE THEM A HAND. [APPLAUSE]

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THE EL CAMINO REAL HIGH SCHOOL
14 ACADEMIC DECATHLON TEAM HAS ESTABLISHED ITSELF AS A FORMIDABLE
15 CONTENDER IN THE NATIONAL AND STATEWIDE ACADEMIC DECATHLON
16 COMPETITIONS OVER MANY YEARS, HAVING SUCCEEDED IN WINNING THE
17 NATIONAL TITLE IN 1998, 2001, 2004 AND 2005. IT WAS ONE OF THE
18 55 TEAMS COMPETING IN THIS YEAR'S TWO-DAY STATE COMPETITION
19 COMPRISING MULTIPLE CHOICE TESTS IN ART, ECONOMICS, LANGUAGE
20 AND LITERATURE, MATHEMATICS, MUSIC AND SCIENCE, A SUPER QUIZ
21 ORAL RELAY AND WRITTEN CONTESTS, INTERVIEWS, SPEECH AND ESSAY
22 CONTEST. THE TEAM ENTERED THIS YEAR'S COMPETITION AS AN
23 UNDERDOG, AFTER TAKING SECOND PLACE BEHIND GRANADA HILLS
24 CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL AT THE L.A. UNIFIED DISTRICT REGIONAL
25 COMPETITION LAST MONTH, YET PROVED THEMSELVES MORE THAN EQUAL



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1 TO THE CHALLENGE BY PULLING AHEAD OF THE PACK AND EDGING OUT
2 THEIR RIVALS TO TAKE THE STATEWIDE TITLE. EL CAMINO REAL HIGH
3 SCHOOL ACADEMIC DECATHLON TEAM HAS BEEN OFFICIALLY CROWNED AS
4 THE WINNERS OF THE 28TH ANNUAL CALIFORNIA ACADEMIC DECATHLON
5 AWARDS AND ARE NOW PREPARING TO REPRESENT THE STATE OF
6 CALIFORNIA AT THE 2007 UNITED STATES ACADEMIC DECATHLON IN
7 HONOLULU LATER THIS MONTH. THAT HASN'T HAPPENED YET, RIGHT?

8

9 **SUP. KNABE:** THEY NEED TEAM ADVISORS?

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YES. HONOLULU. IF I HAD HONOLULU,
12 I WOULD HAVE STUDIED HARDER MYSELF. [LAUGHTER]

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THIS YEAR'S TEAM MEMBERS ARE
15 SHANIA-- WELL, I'M GOING TO INTRODUCE YOU INDIVIDUALLY WITH
16 OUR PROCLAMATIONS SO I'LL LEAVE THE NAMES FOR A SECOND. THE
17 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF L.A. COUNTY WANTED TO TAKE THIS
18 OPPORTUNITY TO CONGRATULATE THE MEMBERS AND COACHES OF THE EL
19 CAMINO REAL HIGH SCHOOL ACADEMIC DECATHLON TEAM, COMMEND THEM
20 FOR THEIR CONTINUING ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE AND ONCE AGAIN FOR
21 THEIR OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT OF WINNING THIS YEAR'S STATEWIDE
22 CHAMPIONSHIP. THEY ARE EXTENDED SINCERE CONGRATULATIONS AND
23 BEST WISHES FOR CONTINUED SUCCESS AND ULTIMATE TRIUMPH IN THE
24 UPCOMING NATIONAL COMPETITION. SO WE WANT TO SALUTE YOU AND I
25 WANT TO PRESENT INDIVIDUAL PROCLAMATIONS TO THE MEMBERS OF THE



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1 TEAM, TEAM MEMBER SHANGIAH COWE. NEXT IS TEAM MEMBER HELEN
2 DURAN. THAT'S YOU. COME OVER HERE. NEXT IS TEAM MEMBER SAM
3 FARAMAN. NEXT IS TEAM MEMBER JAONG KIM. NEXT IS TEAM MEMBER
4 FRANK SOBERONES. CONGRATULATIONS. TEAM MEMBER VENUS BACHURI.
5 JENNIFER YU. AND THE LAST TEAM MEMBER BUT NOT LEAST, FRANKLIN
6 YU. AND I WANT TO INTRODUCE THE COACHES. JUST ONE. OKAY. WHICH
7 ONE? MELINDA-- MELISSA. MELISSA GREGORIO, ONE OF THE TWO
8 COACHES FOR THE 2007 ACADEMIC DECATHLON STATE CHAMPIONS.
9 CONGRATULATIONS. AND LET ME ACKNOWLEDGE AND ASK YOU TO BRING
10 HIM HIS-- HER HER PROCLAMATION, ELIZABETH JOHNSON, WHO IS ALSO
11 ONE OF THE COACHES. CONGRATULATIONS TO HER. AND WOULD YOU LIKE
12 TO SAY A WORD OR ONE OF THE TEAM MEMBERS? WHO IS THE TEAM
13 CAPTAIN? NOW EVERYBODY'S SHY. YEAH. THINK OF IT AS A SUPER
14 QUIZ. COME ON, FRANK. YOU'RE NOMINATED. SAY A WORD ON BEHALF
15 OF THE SCHOOL AND THE TEAM.

16

17 **FRANK:** I'M VERY PROUD OF MY TEAM. WE'VE WORKED VERY HARD TO
18 GET HERE TODAY, BEEN STUDYING SINCE AUGUST FOR THIS
19 COMPETITION, GIVING UP ALL OUR SPARE TIME, GIVING UP TIME WE
20 COULD SPEND WITH OUR FRIENDS AND DOING THINGS THAT WE MIGHT
21 OTHERWISE WANT TO DO. AND WE'VE WORKED VERY HARD TO GET HERE
22 AND WE'RE VERY HAPPY TO BE GOING ON TO THE NATIONAL
23 COMPETITION AND WE HOPE TO BRING BACK A VICTORY FOR
24 CALIFORNIA. [APPLAUSE]

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** EL CAMINO REAL HIGH SCHOOL
2 ACADEMIC DECATHLON CHAMPIONS. WE'RE RUNNING OUT OF LIGHT POLES
3 OVER THERE ON VALLEY CIRCLE TO PUT ALL THOSE PLAQUES UP THERE
4 BUT I'M SURE THE CITY WILL FIND SOME MONEY FOR SOME MORE LIGHT
5 POLES. ANYWAY, CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE]

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OH. I HAVE-- BEFORE YOU LEAVE, WE
8 ACTUALLY HAVE ONE FOR THE SCHOOL, THE RESOLUTION. DON'T FORGET
9 TO TAKE SUNSCREEN WITH YOU TO THE NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS. ALL
10 RIGHT. [APPLAUSE]

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** NEXT I'D LIKE TO ASK HUGO FARIAS
13 TO JOIN US UP HERE. TODAY, I'M PRESENTING A PROCLAMATION TO
14 HUGO FARIAS, WHO IS OUR OUTGOING THIRD DISTRICT APPOINTEE TO
15 THE H.I.V./A.I.D.S. COMMISSION. AFTER SERVING FOUR YEARS ON
16 THE COMMISSION, HE IS LEAVING THE COMMISSION TO DO A.I.D.S.
17 AND PUBLIC HEALTH WORK IN LATIN AMERICA. HE PACKS AN
18 IMPRESSIVE PERSONAL RESUME. HE WAS INSTRUMENTAL IN THE
19 DEVELOPMENT OF COMMON GROUND, A COMMUNITY-BASED A.I.D.S.
20 SERVICE AGENCY PROVIDING HARM REDUCTION PROGRAMS AND OUTREACH
21 TO DISFRANCHISED POPULATIONS, H.I.V. TESTING, PREVENTION,
22 EDUCATION, SYRINGE EXCHANGE, CASE MANAGEMENT AND MENTAL HEALTH
23 SERVICES. HE HELPED IMPLEMENT COMMUNITY-BASED RESEARCH
24 PROJECTS WITH U.C.L.A. AND CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL L.A., INCLUDING
25 LOCAL REPLICATION OF A WOMAN'S SEXUAL HEALTH PROJECT IN HAITI,



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1 BANGLADESH AND UGANDA AND HE SET A STANDARD FOR ACTIVE
2 INVOLVEMENT AND MULTIPLE EFFORTS TO IMPROVE CONDITIONS FOR
3 PEOPLE WITH H.I.V./A.I.D.S. IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY SUCH AS HIS
4 ASSOCIATION WITH THE WEST SIDE HUNGER AND SHELTER COALITION.
5 HE HAS SERVED THESE FOUR YEARS AS ONE OF MY REPRESENTATIVES ON
6 THE H.I.V./A.I.D.S. COMMISSION WITH GREAT DISTINCTION AND WITH
7 GREAT COMMITMENT AND WE ARE VERY SORRY TO LOSE HIM BUT I THINK
8 ALL OF US WISH HIM WELL IN THE IMPORTANT WORK HE IS GOING TO
9 UNDERTAKE IN LATIN AMERICA WHERE HIS TALENTS WILL BE PUT TO
10 GREAT USE, WE KNOW, AND WHERE HE WILL MAKE A HUGE DIFFERENCE.
11 SO, HUGO, THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE TO LOS ANGELES COUNTY, TO
12 THE PEOPLE OF THE COUNTY AND TO US IN PARTICULAR. WE WISH YOU
13 WELL IN THE YEARS AHEAD. [APPLAUSE]

14

15 **HUGO FARIAS:** WELL, THANK YOU FOR THE PROCLAMATION AND I WOULD
16 LIKE TO THANK YOU, THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF L.A. COUNTY FOR
17 HAVING THE FORWARD VISION WHEN IT COMES TO DEALING WITH H.I.V.
18 ISSUES IN THIS COUNTY AND I FEEL PROUD TO REPRESENT THE THIRD
19 DISTRICT. [APPLAUSE]

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU, HUGO. NEXT,
22 I'D LIKE TO ASK DEANNE TILTON TO JOIN US UP HERE. CHILD ABUSE
23 AND NEGLECT IMPACTS CHILDREN AND FAMILIES FROM ALL CULTURAL,
24 ETHNIC AND SOCIOECONOMIC GROUPS, LEAVING LASTING SCARS ON
25 VICTIMS AND COMMUNITIES. 162,711 CASES OF CHILD ABUSE WERE



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1 REPORTED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES IN
2 LOS ANGELES COUNTY LAST YEAR. COUNTLESS CHILDREN SUFFER
3 PERMANENT DISABILITIES AS A RESULT OF PHYSICAL, MENTAL AND
4 SEXUAL ABUSE. PARENTS WHO ABUSE AND NEGLECT THEIR CHILDREN ARE
5 VERY OFTEN VICTIMS THEMSELVES. BRINGING PUBLIC FOCUS TO THIS
6 TRAGEDY ASSISTS IN CREATING AN ATMOSPHERE CONDUCIVE TO
7 PREVENTING CHILD ABUSE. PROTECTING CHILDREN AND HELPING
8 PARENTS, THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COMMENDS THE WORK AND
9 DEDICATION OF PROFESSIONALS AND VOLUNTEERS INVOLVED IN THESE
10 EFFORTS. THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WANTED TO TAKE THIS
11 OPPORTUNITY ONCE AGAIN TO PROCLAIM APRIL 2007 AS CHILD ABUSE
12 PREVENTION MONTH. I WANTED TO PRESENT THIS PROCLAMATION TO
13 DEANNE TILTON, WHO IS THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF ICAN, THE
14 INTERAGENCY COUNCIL ON CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT. AND I THINK
15 YOUR GOING TO MAKE THE PRESENTATIONS OF THE ARTWORK. WELL, YOU
16 TELL ME WHAT WE'RE GOING TO DO. ALL RIGHT. WE'LL DO IT
17 TOGETHER. DEANNE, THIS IS FOR YOU.

18

19 **DEANNE TILTON:** MAY I ASK BEVERLY KURTZ TO COME UP, PLEASE?
20 THIS IS THE 30TH YEAR THAT ICAN HAS SERVED AS LOS ANGELES
21 COUNTY'S BODY TO IMPROVE CHILD ABUSE SERVICES AND PREVENT HARM
22 TO CHILDREN. FOR 22 OF THOSE YEARS, CHILDREN IN THE FOURTH,
23 FIFTH AND SIXTH GRADE AROUND THE COUNTY HAVE BEEN
24 PARTICIPATING IN THE CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH POSTER ART
25 CONTEST. THIS YEAR, UNDER THE LEADERSHIP OF BEVERLY KURTZ FROM



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1 ICAN ASSOCIATES, 1,200 CHILDREN PARTICIPATED IN THE CONTEST
2 WHICH BASICALLY REVEALS THEIR CONCERNS ABOUT OTHER CHILDREN
3 WHO MAY BE HARMED. I WANT TO SAY THAT L.A. COUNTY TAKES CHILD
4 ABUSE VERY, VERY SERIOUSLY AND, THANKS TO THIS BOARD, WE, ICAN
5 AND OUR RELATED DEPARTMENTS HAVE BEEN ABLE TO TAKE STEPS TO
6 REDUCE CHILD DEATHS, REDUCE CHILDREN TAKEN AWAY FROM THEIR
7 HOMES AND NEIGHBORHOODS. WE HAVE SAVED 54 LIVES WITH OUR SAFE
8 SURRENDER PROGRAM. WE'VE ADOPTED A MENTORING PROGRAM. WE'VE
9 STARTED A CHILD ABDUCTION PREVENTION PROGRAM. THE PROGRAMS
10 THAT WE HAVE HERE IN THIS COUNTY HAVE ALL COME THROUGH ICAN TO
11 THIS BOARD AND THEY HAVE ALL BEEN SUPPORTED 100%. OUR BIG
12 PROJECT NOW IS TO TRY TO INCREASE COMMUNICATION BETWEEN COUNTY
13 AGENCIES THAT THE LAW CURRENTLY INHIBITS AND SO WE'RE
14 SPONSORING A BILL TO DO THAT AND I KNOW THE BOARD WILL SUPPORT
15 THAT AS WELL. SO TO TRISH PLOEHN, THE WONDERFUL NEW DIRECTOR
16 OF D.C.F.S., ON BEHALF OF SHERIFF BACA, THE CHAIR OF ICAN,
17 STEVE COOLEY, THE VICE CHAIR, THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR
18 YAROSLAVSKY, YOU HAVE BEEN IN THE FOREFRONT OF THIS EFFORT
19 EVER SINCE DAY ONE AND YOU CURRENTLY CHAIR THE FIRST FIVE
20 COMMISSION, WHICH WE HAVE ALSO WORKED WITH ON A 50-MILLION-
21 DOLLAR CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION PROGRAM, SO THANK YOU SO MUCH,
22 ZEV, FOR THIS AND IF YOU WANT TO READ OFF THE NAMES, OR YOU
23 WANT US TO READ OFF THE NAMES, WE'LL BRING THE KIDS UP WITH
24 THEIR POSTER ART, THEIR WINNING POSTER ART.

25



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** LET ME FIRST INTRODUCE THE GRAND
2 PRIZE WINNER. CALVIN WANG FROM CASTLE BAY LANE ELEMENTARY
3 SCHOOL IN NORTHRIDGE. [APPLAUSE]

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** CONGRATULATIONS, CALVIN. OTHER
6 WINNERS, THEY'RE ALL WINNERS, PABLO RIVAS, 24TH STREET SCHOOL,
7 LOS ANGELES. [APPLAUSE]

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** NEXT, THESE ARE ALL WINNERS,
10 SALINA FLORES, BROCKTON AVENUE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN LOS
11 ANGELES. [APPLAUSE]

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SHE'S NOT HERE BUT WE'LL GIVE HER
14 A HAND. NEXT IS KELSEY SCHWARTZ FROM CASTLE BAY LANE
15 ELEMENTARY IN NORTHRIDGE.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** JENNIFER OTSEL FROM JEFFERSON
18 ELEMENTARY IN REDONDO BEACH. ETSEL. JOSEPHINE YOUNG FROM
19 MONTEREY HIGHLANDS, MONTEREY PARK. [APPLAUSE]

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ANNIE CHIN, ROYAL OAKS SCHOOL,
22 SIXTH GRADER FROM DUARTE. [APPLAUSE]

23

24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AND JOYCE IS NOT HERE, RIGHT?
25 SIDNEY, IS SIDNEY HERE?



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2 **SPEAKER:** YES.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SIDNEY CAPLO FROM SUMMIT VIEW WEST
5 IN LOS ANGELES. [APPLAUSE]

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** DO YOU WANT TO SAY SOMETHING? OH,
8 THE KIDS WANT TO SAY SOMETHING FIRST. WHO AM I GOING TO
9 INTRODUCE? I'M GOING TO TURN IT OVER TO THE KIDS FOR A MOMENT.
10 THEY'RE TAKING OVER.

11

12 **SPEAKER:** OKAY. COME CLOSE. WE WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE BOARD OF
13 SUPERVISORS FOR BEING SO SUPPORTIVE OF THE ICAN/ICAN
14 ASSOCIATES CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH POSTER CONTEST SINCE
15 ITS INCEPTION 22 YEARS AGO. AND I'VE CHAIRED IT FOR THE LAST
16 20 YEARS AND THEY HAVE BEEN VERY INSTRUMENTAL AND VERY
17 SUPPORTIVE IN THIS PUBLIC AWARENESS CAMPAIGN THROUGHOUT THE
18 SCHOOLS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND THE WINNERS, AS DEANNE
19 MENTIONED, THERE WAS ALMOST 1,200 STUDENTS THAT PARTICIPATED
20 FROM PALMDALE TO POMONA AND FROM REDONDO BEACH TO GRANADA
21 HILLS AND NORTHRIDGE TO CERRITOS AND WHITTIER AND ENCINO, SO
22 IT'S ALL OVER THE COUNTY AND THESE ARE THE-- CALVIN IS THE
23 GRAND PRIZE WINNER AND THESE ARE THE NINE WINNERS THAT WERE
24 TAKEN FROM 50 FINALISTS. AND, EVERY YEAR, ONE SUPERVISOR, AND
25 THIS YEAR ZEV, WAS THE SUPERVISOR THAT JUDGED THE POSTER



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1 CONTEST. SO I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT AND THE KIDS
2 ALL WANT TO SAY...

3

4 **ALL:** APRIL IS CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH. THANK YOU, BOARD
5 OF SUPERVISORS AND ICAN, FOR CARING ABOUT KIDS AND KEEPING US
6 SAFE.

7

8 **SPEAKER:** AND I'D ALSO LIKE TO THANK ALL THE TEACHERS THAT
9 PARTICIPATED BECAUSE IT'S DONE THROUGH THE SCHOOLS AND,
10 WITHOUT THE TEACHERS, THIS CONTEST WOULDN'T HAPPEN AND THERE
11 IS SO MUCH MORE AWARENESS ABOUT WHAT KIDS CAN DO TO KEEP SAFE,
12 SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE]

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. IT'S A PLEASURE FOR ME
15 TO INTRODUCE THE APRIL 2007 L.A. COUNTY STARS IN THE CATEGORY
16 OF SERVICE EXCELLENCE. DR. ROBERT GOLDBERG FROM THE CHIEF
17 ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE'S RISK MANAGEMENT BRANCH IS BEING
18 RECOGNIZED TODAY. DR. GOLDBERG CARRIES OUT HIS VISION FOR
19 QUALITY OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH PROGRAM FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS
20 ANGELES. HE HAS DEVELOPED NEW MEDICAL STANDARDS, PROTOCOLS AND
21 PROCEDURAL CHANGES. DR. GOLDBERG SHOWS A STRONG WORK ETHIC AND
22 COMMITMENT TO PROVIDING QUALITY SERVICE TO CUSTOMERS, TEAM
23 MEMBERS AND TAXPAYERS. WHEN NEW MEDICAL EVIDENCE DOES NOT
24 SUPPORT DR. GOLDBERG'S ORIGINAL MEDICAL CONCLUSION, HE
25 OBJECTIVELY ANALYZES THE INFORMATION. HE WHOLEHEARTEDLY



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1 SUPPORTS CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT, ALWAYS THANKS STAFF FOR THEIR
2 CONTRIBUTIONS AND INVOLVES TEAM MEMBERS AND DEPARTMENT
3 PERSONNEL IN ADMINISTRATIVE PROCESSES AND RISK MANAGEMENT
4 CONCERNS. HE STRIVES FOR PERFECTION AND DOES NOT ACCEPT
5 ANYTHING LESS. HE IS A NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED LEADER OF
6 OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND WILLINGLY SHARES HIS EXPERTISE WITH
7 STAFF. HIS PRIORITY IS CUSTOMER SERVICE. CONGRATULATIONS, DR.
8 ROBERT GOLDBERG. [APPLAUSE]

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. I THINK THAT'S IT FOR
11 ME. SUPERVISOR KNABE.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD,
14 LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, I'D LIKE TO INVITE GARY WELLS FORWARD,
15 PLEASE, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER, DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
16 SERVICES. [APPLAUSE]

17

18 **SUP. KNABE:** ASK DR. CHERNOF TO JOIN US AS WELL. GARY IS
19 RETIRING AFTER 35 YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE TO THIS COUNTY.
20 HE BEGAN HIS CAREER WITH THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER'S DEPARTMENT
21 AS AN ACCOUNTANT-AUDITOR AND HE ENDS HIS COUNTY CAREER AS THE
22 DIRECTOR OF FINANCE FOR OUR DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES.
23 GARY'S KNOWLEDGE AND EXPERIENCE JUST CANNOT BE REPLACED. HE
24 HAS BEEN THE FISCAL LEADER DURING SOME OF THE DEPARTMENT'S
25 MOST FINANCIALLY TRYING PERIODS. YOU KNOW, I ALWAYS SAY TO



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1 PEOPLE SOMETIMES IN LEADERSHIP ROLES LIKE YOURS, GARY, YOU'VE
2 BEEN WITH US THROUGH THE GOOD TIMES AND THE BAD TIMES. MAN,
3 YOU'VE BEEN THROUGH A WHOLE BUNCH OF BAD TIMES AND AND THE
4 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES, THEY STRUGGLE EACH AND EVERY
5 TIME WITH THE DIFFICULTY OF UNDERSTANDING THE VARIOUS
6 FORMULAS. HE IS ONE OF THE FEW THAT CAN MAKE ANY SENSE OUT OF
7 THE VARIOUS COMPLEX AND VAGUE AND OFTEN FRUSTRATING, AT TIMES
8 BEWILDERING, ARRAY OF HOOPS THAT THIS COUNTY HAS TO GO THROUGH
9 TO OBTAIN STATE AND FEDERAL FUNDING FOR OUR HOSPITAL SYSTEM.
10 HE LED THE EFFORTS TO GAIN STATE AND FEDERAL APPROVAL OF FUNDS
11 TO ASSIST OUR CALIFORNIA HOSPITALS DURING-- SERVING UNDER--
12 PREDOMINANTLY UNDER AND UNDERINSURED PATIENTS. HE WAS A
13 PRINCIPAL PLAYER IN OUR COUNTY'S NEGOTIATIONS OF 1115 WAIVER
14 AND THE THREE EXTENSIONS THAT FOLLOWED, WHICH SECURED US \$364
15 MILLION IN FEDERAL LEAVE PACKAGES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
16 SERVICES. HE WAS ALSO A KEY PLAYER IN THE DRAFTING OF MEASURE
17 "D", WHICH PROVIDES \$180 MILLION ANNUALLY TO SUPPORT OUR
18 EMERGENCY AND TRAUMA CARE. SO, ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD AND ALL
19 THE CITIZENS OF THIS GREAT COUNTY AND ALL THE FOLKS THAT USE
20 OUR DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES, WE WANT TO, OBVIOUSLY, ONE,
21 EXTEND BEST WISHES IN YOUR RETIREMENT, MORE IMPORTANTLY, TO
22 THANK YOU FOR YOUR 35 YEARS OF SERVICE BUT, WOW, IT'S BEEN AN
23 INCREDIBLE JOB. YOU'VE DONE AN INCREDIBLE JOB AND WE JUST WANT
24 TO EXTEND OUR HEARTFELT THANKS FOR A JOB WELL DONE. [APPLAUSE
25]



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2 **SUP. MOLINA:** I THINK I'M MAKING GARY VERY NERVOUS BECAUSE I'M
3 GOING TO SAY SOMETHING. [LAUGHTER]

4

5 **SUP. MOLINA:** IT'S INTERESTING. I HAVE, FOR YEARS, TRIED TO
6 FIGURE OUT THE HEALTH SERVICES BUDGET. I EVEN HIRED A PERSON
7 TO TRY AND HELP ME WEED THROUGH IT AND I'VE NEVER MASTERED IT.
8 AND, BELIEVE ME, IT IS SOMETHING THAT IS VERY, VERY DIFFICULT
9 TO UNDERSTAND. AND, WHEN WE WERE GOING THROUGH THE MOST TRYING
10 TIMES WITH THE WAIVER, IT FRUSTRATED ME THAT THE NUMBERS KEPT
11 CHANGING AND, OF COURSE, I WOULD PLACE THE BLAME ON GARY ON A
12 REGULAR BASIS. BUT THE REALITY IS THAT OUR HEALTH SERVICE
13 BUDGET CHANGES ON A REGULAR BASIS AND THERE'S ALWAYS SO MANY
14 FACTORS THAT GO WITH IT BUT I MUST SAY, I HAVE BEEN VERY, VERY
15 HAPPY THAT, AT THE END OF THE DAY, HE REALLY KNOWS WHAT HE'S
16 DOING AND IT'S UNFORTUNATE FOR MANY OF US WHO ARE GOING TO
17 LOSE HIM. EVEN THOUGH WE TANGLED FROM TIME TO TIME, HE REALLY
18 HAS KNOWN HIS BUSINESS BUT, MORE IMPORTANTLY, HE'S PROVIDED
19 THE KIND OF LEADERSHIP FOR THIS COUNTY WHEN IT CAME TO THOSE
20 KINDS OF NUMBERS AND HAVING COMMAND OF THEM, THAT HE IS
21 RESPECTED BY PEOPLE BEYOND THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES FOR THE
22 GOOD WORK THAT HE DOES. CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU AND YOU DESERVE
23 A GOOD RETIREMENT. CONGRATULATIONS, SIR. [APPLAUSE]

24



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1 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** GARY, ON BEHALF OF THE DEPARTMENT, I WANT
2 TO TAKE A MOMENT AND THANK YOU FOR ALL THAT YOU'VE DONE. YOU
3 KNOW, WE'RE CELEBRATING THE RETIREMENT OF A NUMBER OF OUR KEY
4 LEADERS TODAY, PEOPLE WHO HAVE HAD 30 OR MORE YEARS OF
5 EXPERIENCE, WHO HAVE LED US THROUGH SOME OF OUR MOST DIFFICULT
6 TIMES AND HAVE SEEN US THROUGH, HAVE SEEN US THROUGH AND LEFT
7 A LEGACY FOR ALL OF US TO BUILD UPON. ONE OF THE THINGS I'M
8 REALLY PROUD OF IS THAT GARY HAS DEVELOPED A STRONG TEAM OF
9 LEADERS AND, AT HIS RETIREMENT DINNER, WE SPENT A MOMENT
10 LOOKING AT THOSE FOLKS, NOT JUST THOSE WHO ARE IN OUR
11 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES, BUT THOSE FOLKS WHO WORK IN
12 OTHER DEPARTMENTS ACROSS THE COUNTY. AND, YOU KNOW, GARY, IT'S
13 NOT JUST ABOUT THE NUMBERS, IT IS ABOUT ORGANIZATIONAL
14 LEADERSHIP AND YOU'VE DONE SUCH A TREMENDOUS JOB, NOT JUST FOR
15 MY DEPARTMENT BUT FOR THE WHOLE COUNTY. TO YOUR LIEUTENANTS
16 WHO ARE OUT IN THE AUDIENCE TODAY, YOU HAVE A LOT OF WORK
17 AHEAD OF YOU AND YOU HAVE SOMETHING TO ASPIRE TO BECAUSE GARY
18 HAS REALLY LAID A FRAMEWORK FOR US TO BE SUCCESSFUL GOING
19 FORWARD AND IT'S OURS TO TAKE. I WANT TO ADD A PERSONAL NOTE,
20 GARY, YOU HAVE BEEN A NATIONAL LEADER, NAPH, NATIONAL
21 ASSOCIATION OF PUBLIC HOSPITALS, CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF
22 PUBLIC HOSPITALS HAVE ALL BENEFITED FROM YOUR GUIDANCE AND
23 VISION AND, FOR ME PERSONALLY, GETTING TO LEARN THE HEALTH
24 BUDGET, SUPERVISOR MOLINA, IT'S BEEN A GREAT CHALLENGE AND A



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1 GREAT JOY AND I THANK YOU FOR IT VERY MUCH. ALMOST THERE. [

2 LAUGHTER] THANK YOU SO MUCH, GARY. [APPLAUSE]

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** BEFORE YOU SAY ANYTHING, GARY, I
5 THINK SOME OTHERS WANT TO SAY SOMETHING. I'LL JUST ADD MY
6 COMMENTS. I WORKED CLOSELY WITH YOU ON THE FORMULATION OF
7 PROPOSITION "B" AND YOUR FINANCIAL ANALYSIS AND INPUT INTO
8 WHAT WE WERE DOING IS LARGELY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE NUMBERS THAT
9 WERE PLUGGED INTO THAT MEASURE AND, YOU KNOW, IT'S BOTH A
10 BURDEN AND A COMPLIMENT TO YOU, A BURDEN ON YOU AND A
11 COMPLIMENT TO YOU TO KNOW THAT YOU ARE SO HEAVILY RELIED ON BY
12 SO MANY DIFFERENT ASPECTS OF COUNTY GOVERNMENT. THE BOARD,
13 OBVIOUSLY, IS THE ULTIMATE AGENCY RESPONSIBLE, ENTITY
14 RESPONSIBLE FOR WHAT GOES ON HERE. YOUR OWN DEPARTMENT, OTHER
15 AGENCIES OF GOVERNMENT, INCLUDING THE STATE AND FEDERAL
16 GOVERNMENT WHO HAVE TURNED TO YOU FOR EITHER INPUT OR TO
17 VERIFY THEIR OWN CONCLUSIONS. YOU'VE BEEN QUITE AN INSTITUTION
18 IN THIS FIELD OF HEALTHCARE FINANCE, THIS VERY ARCANE AND
19 MIND-NUMBING FIELD OF HEALTHCARE FINANCE AND IT'S A GREAT LOSS
20 TO THE COUNTY AND TO THE PEOPLE OF THE COUNTY AND THE STATE
21 BUT I'M SURE YOU'LL CONTINUE TO FIND YOUR WAY-- WILL FIND A
22 WAY TO MAKE YOU USEFUL TO US IN WHATEVER WAY WE CAN. THANKS
23 FOR ALL YOUR HELP OVER THESE YEARS THAT I'VE BEEN HERE.
24 SUPERVISOR BURKE. [APPLAUSE]

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1 **SUP. BURKE:** I WOULD JUST LIKE TO JOIN IN THANKING YOU FOR ALL
2 YOUR HARD WORK. I REMEMBER MY FIRST MEETING WITH YOU WAS ON
3 THE U.S.C. CONSTRUCTION. AT THAT TIME, I BELIEVE IT WAS 950
4 BEDS. BUT, OVER THE YEARS, THERE HAVE BEEN SO MANY ISSUES THAT
5 IT WAS NECESSARY IN ORDER FOR US TO BE ABLE TO PUT FORWARD ANY
6 KIND OF ARGUMENT TO SAVE THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT BASED UPON THE
7 KIND OF NUMBERS THAT YOU WERE ABLE TO GENERATE, BUT, MOST OF
8 ALL, THE CONFIDENCE THAT STATE AND FEDERAL OFFICIALS HAD IN
9 THE VALIDITY OF THOSE NUMBERS THAT YOU GENERATED AND THE
10 EFFICIENCY WITH WHICH YOU DID IT, OFTEN IN A VERY SHORT PERIOD
11 OF TIME. SO I WANT TO REALLY THANK YOU FOR ALL OF THE WORK
12 YOU'VE DONE. THIS HEALTH DEPARTMENT, THE WAIVERS THAT WE WENT
13 THROUGH YEAR AFTER YEAR OVER THE LAST 10 OR 15 YEARS AND ALL
14 OF THE THINGS THAT ARE REALLY-- WERE CRISIS ORIENTED AND I
15 KNOW YOU HAD NOT A LOT OF TIME TO PUT IT TOGETHER BUT YOUR
16 EXPERTISE WAS POSSIBLE FOR US TO GET THE KIND OF ACCEPTANCE IN
17 STATE AND FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, SO THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

18
19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LET ME ALSO THANK YOU FOR YOUR PROFESSIONAL
20 LEADERSHIP AND A LOT OF THE PROBLEMS THAT OCCURRED WERE DUE TO
21 MANAGEMENT BUT NOT YOUR MANAGEMENT AND WE APPRECIATE YOUR
22 LEADERSHIP IN PROVIDING US WITH FINANCIAL NUMBERS. GOOD LUCK.
23 YOU GOING TO STAY INVOLVED OR SWITCH OVER TO MENTAL HEALTH? [
24 LAUGHTER]



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1 **GARY WELLS:** WELL, MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, THANK
2 YOU VERY MUCH. I REALLY TREASURE THIS SCROLL AND YOUR
3 COMMENTS, THE LEADERSHIP THAT YOU'VE PROVIDED OVER THE MANY
4 YEARS THAT I'VE BEEN INVOLVED IN THE COUNTY. YOU CERTAINLY
5 HAVE A CHALLENGING FUTURE AHEAD OF YOU BUT I THINK YOU'RE WELL
6 TASKED TO DEAL WITH THAT. I WISH YOU THE BEST OF LUCK AND THE
7 BEST OF EVERYTHING IN THE COMING WEEKS AND MONTHS AS YOU
8 CONTINUE TO LEAD OUR FINE COUNTY. I WOULD BE REMISS IF I
9 DIDN'T RECOGNIZE MANY MEMBERS OF MY STAFF THAT ARE SITTING OUT
10 HERE IN THE AUDIENCE. MUCH OF WHAT I GET CREDIT FOR IS THEIR
11 WORK AND I COULD NEVER HAVE ASKED FOR A GREATER SET OF PEOPLE
12 AND I'M SURE THEY WILL CONTINUE TO SERVE THE COUNTY AND THIS
13 BOARD IN THE SAME MANNER THAT WE HAVE FOR SO MANY YEARS. SO
14 THANK YOU AND BEST WISHES TO ALL OF YOU. [APPLAUSE]

15

16 **SUP. KNABE:** SO GARY'S GOT TO BE THINKING TO HIMSELF, WOW,
17 NEVER HEARD THAT ON A TUESDAY BEFORE! [LAUGHTER]

18

19 **SUP. KNABE:** ALL THE KIND COMMENTS AND A STANDING OVATION! ALL
20 RIGHT! ANYWAY, BUT I THINK ALL OF US UP HERE, GARY, WE WANT TO
21 GIVE YOU A STANDING OVATION, AS WELL, TOO, FOR THE JOB THAT
22 YOU'VE DONE AND YOUR LEADERSHIP IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES.
23 THANK YOU VERY MUCH. GREAT RETIREMENT. [APPLAUSE]

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1 **SUP. KNABE:** WELL, YOU KNOW, SOMETIMES WE HAVE TO DO THIS. THIS
2 IS BACK TO BACK HERE AND I'M GOING TO ASK VALERIE ORANGE TO
3 JOIN ME UP HERE. IN THIS HEALTH DEPARTMENT TODAY, WE ARE
4 LOSING 72 YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE COUNTY OF LOS
5 ANGELES. GARY WITH HIS 35 AND VALERIE IS RETIRING AFTER 37
6 YEARS. SHE STARTED WHEN SHE WAS 4. [LAUGHTER]

7

8 **SUP. KNABE:** BUT WE WANT TO SAY THANK YOU TO VALERIE AS WELL,
9 AS I MENTIONED, 30 YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE COUNTY.
10 SHE BEGAN HER CAREER AS A CLERK IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL
11 SERVICES AND ENDED IT AS THE C.E.O. OF RANCHO LOS AMIGOS
12 NATIONAL REHABILITATION CENTER, ONE OF THE TOP REHABILITATION
13 CENTERS IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA! [APPLAUSE]

14

15 **SUP. KNABE:** HER UNCOMPROMISING ADVOCACY FOR THE PATIENTS AND
16 THE FAMILIES EARNED HER THE LOVE AND RESPECT OF THOSE WHO KNEW
17 AND WORKED WITH HER OUT THERE. AS THE C.E.O., SHE HAS UPHELD
18 RANCHO'S LONGSTANDING TRADITION OF IMPROVING THE LIVES OF
19 THOSE WITH SEVERE LIFE ALTERING DISABILITIES. AT RANCHO,
20 VALERIE PROVIDED A VERY SPECIAL AND CARING PLACE DEDICATED TO
21 HELPING PATIENTS SURVIVE AND LIVE THEIR LIVES WITH DIGNITY AND
22 RESPECT. HER LEADERSHIP SKILLS WERE PUT TO THE TEST, AS MANY
23 C.E.O.S AT RANCHO, WHEN RANCHO WAS DESIGNATED FOR CLOSURE DUE
24 TO OUR COUNTY'S FISCAL PROBLEMS. BUT, THROUGHOUT THEIR ORDEAL,
25 INSTEAD OF SURRENDERING TO THE APPARENT DEMISE, VALERIE LED



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1 THE EFFORTS OF HER STAFF TO REMAIN TRUE TO THE MISSION OF
2 RANCHO AND MAINTAIN THE HIGHEST QUALITY OF CARE FOR THEIR
3 PATIENTS. SO I OFTEN DESCRIBE RANCHO'S STAFF AS ANGELS OF GOD
4 DOING MIRACLES EACH AND EVERY DAY. IN THEIR TIME OF GREATEST
5 NEED, THEY BRING HOPE AND GUIDANCE TO PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES
6 AND THEIR FAMILIES. SO TODAY WE RECOGNIZE VALERIE, WE SAY GOD
7 SPEED IN YOUR RETIREMENT, ENJOY. I KNOW THAT SHE'LL BE THERE
8 FOR RANCHO SHOULD WE NEED HER BUT WE WANT TO EXTEND OUR BEST
9 WISHES FOR YOUR RETIREMENT AND THANK YOU FOR 37 YEARS OF
10 SERVICE TO THE CITIZENS OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. [
11 APPLAUSE]

12

13 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** I FEEL LIKE MY WHOLE DEPARTMENT IS LEAVING
14 ME! [LAUGHTER]

15

16 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** VALERIE, YOU ARE AN EXTRAORDINARY,
17 EXTRAORDINARY INDIVIDUAL AND HAVE SERVED AS A TREMENDOUS ROLE
18 MODEL. YOUR CAREER I THINK IS AN EXAMPLE FOR ALL D.H.S.
19 EMPLOYEES OF WHO WE CAN BE AND HOW WE CAN GROW IN OUR
20 ORGANIZATION AND I JUST WISH THAT EVERY SINGLE ONE OF OUR
21 20,000 EMPLOYEES WAS HERE WATCHING THIS TODAY BECAUSE I THINK
22 PERSONAL GROWTH IS SOMETHING THAT'S INCREDIBLY IMPORTANT TO US
23 IN SELF-DEVELOPMENT AND YOU REALLY HAVE EXEMPLIFIED THAT TO
24 THE GREATEST DEGREE POSSIBLE. YOUR LEADERSHIP SKILLS ARE
25 UNBELIEVABLE. YOU, AS SUPERVISOR KNABE SAID, YOU TOOK THE



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1 REINS AT A VERY DIFFICULT TIME. THE STRATEGIC PLAN THAT YOU
2 HELPED YOUR TEAM AND ALL THE STAFF AT RANCHO DEVELOP HAVE PUT
3 US IN A TREMENDOUS POSITION LOOKING FORWARD AND WHETHER WE'RE
4 LOOKING AT A PRIVATE/PUBLIC PARTNERSHIP OR WHATEVER KIND OF
5 RELATIONSHIP WE HAVE FOR RANCHO GOING FORWARD, THERE IS A
6 PLACE FOR RANCHO, WHICH IS THE VERY IMPORTANT THING FOR PEOPLE
7 TO REALIZE AND IT'S ALL BECAUSE OF YOUR EFFORTS AND THE TEAM
8 THAT YOU HAVE BUILT. AGAIN, YOUR TEAM IS HERE, TOO. BROAD
9 SHOULDERS. THERE'S A LOT OF WORK AHEAD OF US. WE HAVE VALERIE
10 TO THANK. [APPLAUSE]

11

12 **SUP. KNABE:** VALERIE, WE'D LIKE TO HAVE YOU SHARE A FEW WORDS
13 WITH US BUT I JUST GOT AN EMAIL THAT SAID ANOTHER FINE RANCHO
14 EMPLOYEE, MICKEY CHRISTIANSON, WHO MANY OF YOU KNOW AT RANCHO,
15 RECENTLY RETIRED. HE JUST CAME HOME, HE HAD A SUCCESSFUL
16 KIDNEY SWITCH, HIS WIFE GAVE HIM A KIDNEY. SHE'S DOING GREAT
17 AND HE'S BACK AT HOME, TOO. [APPLAUSE]

18

19 **VALERIE ORANGE:** WELL, THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR, NOT ONLY FOR YOUR
20 KIND WORDS BUT JUST FOR YOUR SUPPORT OVER THE LAST THREE
21 YEARS, FOR BELIEVING IN ME, BELIEVING IN MY LEADERSHIP AND
22 ALWAYS BELIEVING IN RANCHO. AND THANK YOU, DR. CHERNOF, FOR
23 THE SUPPORT THAT YOU'VE GIVEN ME THE LAST COUPLE OF YEARS.
24 SPEAKING OF MY TEAM, THEY SAID THEY WERE ACROSS THE STREET AT



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1 THE CHURCH PRAYING FOR ME. I DON'T KNOW WHY. I'M RETIRING. [

2 LAUGHTER]

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4 **VALERIE ORANGE:** THEY SHOULD PRAY FOR THEMSELVES. [LAUGHTER]

5

6 **VALERIE ORANGE:** BECAUSE YOU WON'T HAVE ME. ANYWAY, I JUST

7 WANTED TO SAY THAT ALSO PUBLIC SERVICE HAS JUST BEEN THE

8 GREATEST CAREER, AND, IF THERE ARE ANY YOUNG PEOPLE LISTENING,

9 THIS IS THE GREATEST CAREER YOU CAN HAVE. IT'S A BIT

10 CHALLENGING AT TIMES BUT IT IS THE MOST REWARDING CAREER AND,

11 YOU KNOW, WHERE ELSE CAN YOU GO FROM CLERK TO C.E.O. IN A MERE

12 37 YEARS BUT IN PUBLIC SERVICE? [LAUGHTER]

13

14 **VALERIE ORANGE:** ANYWAY, I KNOW I LEAVE RANCHO IN GOOD HANDS

15 AND I'M PLANTING THE SEEDS OF PUBLIC SERVICE IN MY NEW BOSS

16 HERE, MY GRANDDAUGHTER, MARIE, WHO'S HERE WITH ME. YOU WANT TO

17 SAY HI TO LUCA AT HOME? HI, LUCA. MY GRANDSON. AND THANK YOU

18 SO MUCH, EVERYBODY, FOR ALL OF YOUR SUPPORT. [APPLAUSE]

19

20 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, VALERIE. THANK YOU, GARY. BOY, BRUCE, A

21 TOUGH DAY FOR YOU. YOU'VE LOST TWO GOOD ONES TODAY. ALL RIGHT.

22 NEXT, WE HAVE A CELEBRATION. THE JUNIOR LEAGUE OF LONG BEACH

23 IS CELEBRATING THEIR 75TH ANNIVERSARY. WE HAVE ANNE JOHNSON,

24 WHO IS THE PRESIDENT, AND ANNE MILLER, WHO IS THE PRESIDENT-

25 ELECT OF JUNIOR LEAGUE OF LONG BEACH. ALSO JOINING US,



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1 CHRISTINE TUCKER AND PAM KORAN, WHO ARE THE CO-CHAIRS OF THE
2 75TH ANNIVERSARY. DURING THE PAST 75 YEARS, THE JUNIOR LEAGUE
3 OF LONG BEACH HAS HELPED IMPROVE THE COMMUNITY OF LONG BEACH
4 WITH OVER 60 PROJECTS AND COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAMS. MANY OF
5 THE PROJECTS HAVE GONE ON TO BECOME THEIR OWN NONPROFIT
6 ORGANIZATION, SUCH AS LA CASA YOUTH SHELTER, CHILDREN'S DENTAL
7 CLINIC AND THE ONE THAT THEY ARE PARTICULARLY PROUD OF AND, AS
8 I MENTIONED TO THEM THIS MORNING, PROBABLY ONE OF THE MOST
9 REWARDING PROJECTS THAT I'VE EVER BEEN INVOLVED IN AND THAT'S
10 THE BETHUNE TRANSITIONAL CENTER FOR HOMELESS CHILDREN, A
11 SCHOOL FOR THE HOMELESS. AND THE WOMEN OF THE JUNIOR LEAGUE OF
12 LONG BEACH CONTINUE TO FOCUS ON THE VERY IMPORTANT SERVICES
13 FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH IN THE COMMUNITY TO HELP THEM IMPROVE
14 THEIR QUALITY OF LIFE. SO, ON BEHALF MYSELF AND MY COLLEAGUES
15 HERE ON THE BOARD AND THE CITIZENS NOT ONLY OF LONG BEACH BUT
16 THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, BECAUSE THE PROJECTS THAT THEY HAVE
17 BEEN INVOLVED IN OVER THE LAST 75 YEARS HAVE REACHED WAY, WAY
18 BEYOND THE BOUNDARIES OF THE CITY OF LONG BEACH. SO WE WANT TO
19 THANK THEM FOR 75 YEARS OF SERVICE, WISH THEM A HUNDRED MORE
20 YEARS. WE WON'T BE HERE TO CELEBRATE THAT BUT SAY
21 CONGRATULATIONS, 75 YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY.
22 CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE]

23

24 **SUP. BURKE:** MR. CHAIRMAN? MR. CHAIRMAN?

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MS. BURKE.

2

3 **SUP. BURKE:** I WOULD JUST SIMPLY LIKE TO SAY THAT WE ARE VERY
4 APPRECIATIVE OF ALL OF THE WORK THE JUNIOR LEAGUE DOES, THE
5 LOS ANGELES JUNIOR LEAGUE DOES. IN OUR DISTRICT, THEY PROVIDE
6 HELP WITH EVENTS FOR CHILDREN OF INCARCERATED PARENTS, WHICH
7 IS INCREDIBLE. VERY FEW PEOPLE THINK ABOUT THEM BUT THE JUNIOR
8 LEAGUE HAS A PROGRAM WHERE THEY HELP WITH US, PARTICULARLY
9 DURING THE HOLIDAYS. SO I WANT YOU TO KNOW THAT JUNIOR LEAGUE
10 THROUGHOUT LOS ANGELES IS DOING THE SAME THING YOU'RE DOING IN
11 LONG BEACH. CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU, THOUGH, FOR ALL YOUR WORK
12 THERE.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE:** YEAH. I HAVE NOT FORGOTTEN ALL THE MEMBERS THAT
15 ARE OUT HERE. SOMEBODY ELSE IS GOING TO MENTION YOU AS WELL,
16 TOO, BUT YOU'VE BROUGHT QUITE AN ENTOURAGE DOWN WITH YOU
17 TODAY, SO WE'RE GOING TO DO A LITTLE PHOTO.

18

19 **SPEAKER:** WE ARE VERY APPRECIATIVE OF GETTING THIS PROCLAMATION
20 THIS MORNING. IT'S-- JUST THE COLORS OF IT ARE BEAUTIFUL IN
21 THEMSELVES BUT WE APPRECIATE GETTING ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FOR ALL
22 THE THINGS THAT WE HAVE DONE AND WE'VE BEEN SPENDING ALMOST A
23 YEAR NOW CELEBRATING OUR 75 YEARS AND IT'S BEEN A WONDERFUL
24 THING FOR US BECAUSE WE'VE BEEN ABLE TO REVIEW OUR HISTORY AND
25 CELEBRATE ALL THAT WE HAVE ACCOMPLISHED IN THOSE 75 YEARS AND



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1 ONE OF THE REASONS WE'VE BEEN ABLE TO ACCOMPLISH SO MUCH IS
2 THE LONG-TIME, LIFELONG SUPPORT THAT WE GET FROM OUR
3 MEMBERSHIP AND I WOULD LIKE TO ASK THE LADIES WHO CAME WITH US
4 THIS MORNING TO ALL STAND UP. [APPLAUSE]

5

6 **SPEAKER:** NONE OF THIS WOULD HAVE BEEN POSSIBLE WITHOUT ALL THE
7 TIME THAT WOMEN LIKE THESE ARE WILLING TO GIVE TO IMPROVE THE
8 COMMUNITY. A BIG PART OF OUR MISSION IS TRAINING, TRAINING
9 WOMEN TO BE GOOD VOLUNTEERS AND LEADERS IN THE COMMUNITY AND I
10 HADN'T THOUGHT OF THIS PARTICULAR DAY AS BEING A TRAINING DAY
11 BUT SITTING HERE AND WATCHING HOW THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
12 CONDUCTS ITS BUSINESS, TAKING THE TOUR EARLIER, IT REALLY HAS
13 TURNED INTO ANOTHER ONE OF OUR TRAININGS AND ONE THAT I WILL
14 CHERISH FOR A LONG TIME AND I'M SURE THAT WE ALL WILL. THANK
15 YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE]

16

17 **SUP. KNABE:** NEXT, I'M GOING TO INVITE DR. JANE AND DR. RON GU
18 TO JOIN ME UP HERE. DR. RON AND JANE GU ARE RESIDENTS OF
19 ROWLAND HEIGHTS WHO HAVE DONATED 120 BEAUTIFUL CHERRY TREES
20 AND A STONE MEMORIAL MARKER TO OUR SCHABARUM REGIONAL PARK IN
21 LOVING MEMORY OF THEIR SON, JEFFREY, WHO DIED IN A TRAGIC
22 HIKING ACCIDENT IN SOUTH AMERICA IN 2003. JEFFREY WAS A 2000
23 GRADUATE OF HARVARD UNIVERSITY, WHERE HE RECEIVED HIS BACHELOR
24 OF ARTS DEGREE. HE WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR HIS PASSION FOR GOD,
25 FOR HIS LOVE OF PEOPLE, HIS ENTHUSIASM FOR LIFE, THE LOVE OF



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1 HIS FAMILY AND FRIENDS AND HIS DREAMS OF IMPROVING THE WORLD
2 THROUGHOUT AND THROUGH PHILANTHROPY. SO WE ARE VERY THANKFUL
3 THAT YOU CHOOSE SCHABARUM PARK IN LOVING MEMORY OF YOUR SON.
4 WE'D LIKE TO PRESENT YOU THIS SCROLL TO SAY THANK YOU. WE
5 APPRECIATE YOUR GENEROSITY AND I WAS OUT THERE TO SEE HOW
6 BEAUTIFUL IT IS AND WHAT A WONDERFUL MEMORY FOR YOUR SON.
7 CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE]

8

9 **DR. RON GU:** FIRST, SUPERVISORS, THANK YOU FOR ALL THE COUNTY
10 OFFICERS WHO HELPED TO FINISH THE WHOLE PROJECT, ESPECIALLY
11 KIM O'CONWAY. AND, WHEN MY SON WAS ALIVE, I ASKED HIM A COUPLE
12 TIMES, WHAT DO YOU WANT TO DO FOR YOUR FUTURE? HE SAID HE
13 WANTED TO PHILANTHROPY. UNFORTUNATELY, HE PASSED AWAY. AS A
14 PARENT, WE LOVE HIM SO MUCH. WE WANT TO FULFILL HIS UNFINISHED
15 DREAM. AFTER THESE CHERRY TREES PLANTED, WE HAVE SO MANY
16 PEOPLE, INCLUDING MY FRIENDS, PATIENTS CAME TO ME SAYING THEY
17 REALLY LOVE THE TREES, THEY MAKE IT MORE INTERESTING TO COME
18 TO THE PARK. I WISH WE HAD MORE OPPORTUNITIES TO CONTRIBUTE
19 MORE. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

20

21 **RUSS GUINEY:** WE WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE GU FAMILY, ON BEHALF
22 OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION, FOR CHOOSING
23 SCHABARUM REGIONAL PARK AS A PLACE TO MEMORIALIZE THEIR SON
24 BUT THIS MEMORIAL WILL LIVE FOR YEARS AND YEARS AND THOUSANDS
25 AND THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE WILL BE ABLE TO COME THERE AND TO



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1 ENJOY WHAT YOU HAVE DONE AND WE THANK YOU ON BEHALF OF ALL THE
2 CITIZENS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY FOR BEAUTIFYING OUR PARK,
3 CREATING A WONDERFUL SETTING THAT PEOPLE CAN ENJOY. AND I DO
4 WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE KIM O'CONWAY, OUR REGIONAL OPERATIONS
5 MANAGER, WHO IS ALSO A LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT. HE WORKED WITH THE
6 GUS TO DEVELOP A DESIGN THAT WAS PLEASING TO THEM BUT IS ALSO
7 GOING TO BE VERY PLEASING AND BEAUTIFUL TO THE COMMUNITY. SO
8 THANK YOU, THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR GENEROSITY.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE:** MR. CHAIRMAN?

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12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MR. ANTONOVICH.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WE'RE TALKING ABOUT RETIREMENTS AND, AS I
15 MENTIONED, ABOUT MANAGEMENT AND GOOD MANAGEMENT. IT'S SAD THAT
16 WE'RE RECOGNIZING THE RETIREMENT OF A GOOD FRIEND AND A GOOD
17 MANAGER IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES WHO DIDN'T START IN THE
18 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH BUT STARTED AS A PROBATION OFFICER NEARLY
19 40 YEARS AGO. I WAS JUST, I GUESS, GOING INTO ELEMENTARY
20 SCHOOL AT THE TIME. [LAUGHTER]

21

22 **MELINDA ANDERSON:** ME, TOO! [LAUGHTER]

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ANYWAY, MELINDA ANDERSON HAS DONE A SUPERB
25 JOB, SUPERB JOB FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AND WE'RE VERY



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1 PROUD OF THE LEADERSHIP THAT SHE HAS PROVIDED OLIVE VIEW
2 HOSPITAL, WHICH HAS PROVIDED GOOD SERVICE BECAUSE THEY'VE HAD
3 GOOD MANAGEMENT AND GOOD MANAGEMENT HAS ENSURED THAT GOOD
4 SERVICE WOULD BE PROVIDED TO THE CITIZENS OF THE NORTH COUNTY.
5 AS I SAID, MELINDA JOINED OUR COUNTY IN 1968 AND IN 1972 IS
6 WHEN SHE TRANSFERRED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES
7 WHERE SHE BEGAN A VERY DISTINGUISHED CAREER. AS A MANAGER FOR
8 THE SAN FERNANDO ANTELOPE VALLEY REGION, SHE WAS A KEY
9 PARTICIPANT IN THE DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THE
10 CAPITAL PROJECTS THAT RESULTED IN THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE
11 PRESENT OLIVE VIEW-U.C.L.A. MEDICAL CENTER. SHE OVERSAW THE
12 PROGRAM PLANNING AND BUDGET FOR ALL REGIONAL SERVICES,
13 INCLUDING THE ANTELOPE VALLEY REHABILITATION CENTERS, MIRA
14 LOMA HOSPITAL AND HEALTH CENTERS AND THE SAN FERNANDO REGIONAL
15 HEALTH CENTER SYSTEM, THE MENTAL HEALTH CENTER SYSTEM AND
16 OLIVE VIEW MEDICAL CENTER. IN 1987, GIVEN HER TREMENDOUS
17 EXPERIENCE WITH DEVELOPING AND MANAGING CAPITAL PROJECTS, SHE
18 WAS ASSIGNED TO CONVERT THE OLD OLIVE VIEW HOSPITAL INTO THE
19 MID VALLEY COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH CENTER AFTER THE RELOCATION OF
20 HOSPITAL TO THE NEW SYLMAR FACILITY. SHE BECAME THE CHIEF
21 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, REPLACING DOUG BAGLY IN 1992 AND DIRECTED
22 RECOVERY AND REBUILDING EFFORTS FOLLOWING THE 1990-- DURING
23 THE EARTHQUAKE. SHE ALSO PLAYED A KEY ROLE IN THE FORMING OF
24 PUBLIC/PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS, WHICH IS SO CRUCIAL.
25 PUBLIC/PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS HELP PROVIDE BETTER CARE AND



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1 SERVICES TO OUR CITIZENS AND HELPED FOUND THE VALLEY CARE
2 COMMUNITY CONSORTIUM. IN 2003, MELINDA ASSUMED RESPONSIBILITY
3 FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF THE HIGH DESERT HEALTH SYSTEM AND THE
4 ANTELOPE VALLEY REHABILITATION CENTERS AND INITIATED THE
5 PROCESS OF CLOSELY INTEGRATING THE DELIVERY OF CARE BETWEEN
6 THESE TWO ORGANIZATIONS. RECENTLY, SHE HAS ASSISTED THE
7 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES TO ESTABLISH THE METROCARE
8 SYSTEM AND ENHANCE INTEGRATION OF SERVICES THROUGHOUT THE
9 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES. SO, MELINDA, IT'S WITH A HEAVY
10 HEART THAT WE BID YOU FAREWELL, BUT WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE A
11 RESIDENT OF PASADENA AND INVOLVED IN THE FIFTH SUPERVISORIAL
12 DISTRICT BUT WE WISH YOU SUCCESS AND WE APPRECIATE FOR YOUR
13 LEADERSHIP FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES IN SHOWING THAT YOU
14 CAN PROVIDE QUALITY HEALTHCARE THROUGH COMPETENCY AND WE WISH
15 YOU CONTINUED SUCCESS. [APPLAUSE]

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** CAN I JUST ADD A COUPLE OF WORDS,
18 MELINDA, SINCE-- HOW ARE YOU? MR. ANTONOVICH AND I SHARE THE
19 SAN FERNANDO VALLEY IN THAT AREA OVER WHICH YOU HAVE, IN PART,
20 OVERSEEN OUR COUNTY HEALTHCARE SYSTEM AND YOU'VE BEEN A
21 PRIVILEGE AND A PLEASURE TO WORK WITH AND I KNOW I SPEAK FOR
22 MY STAFF, THOSE WHO ARE HERE AND THOSE WHO HAVE SINCE RETIRED.
23 RON HANSON USED TO JUST SWEAR BY YOU AND I GOT TO UNDERSTAND
24 WHY AND OUR STAFF CURRENTLY DOES, TOO. YOU'VE DONE AN
25 OUTSTANDING JOB. YOU'RE A PRO. GRACE UNDER PRESSURE IS WHAT I



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1 ASSOCIATE WITH YOU. YOU'VE HAD A LOT OF PRESSURE AND YOU'VE
2 HANDLED IT ALL WELL AND THE RESULTS SPEAK FOR THEMSELVES, SO
3 THANKS FOR YOUR PARTNERSHIP AND FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF OUR
4 CONSTITUENTS.

5

6 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** I DON'T THINK I CAN DO THIS AGAIN TODAY,
7 SUPERVISORS.

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** DOES THIS SAY ANYTHING ABOUT YOU,
10 BRUCE? [LAUGHTER]

11

12 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** YEAH. WE ARE SO FORTUNATE, MELINDA, TO HAVE
13 HAD YOUR LEADERSHIP AND GUIDANCE AT OLIVE VIEW AND OUT IN THE
14 SAN FERNANDO VALLEY OVER MANY, MANY YEARS. ONE OF THE
15 EXTRAORDINARY THINGS YOU'VE BROUGHT TO THE DEPARTMENT IS A
16 SENSE OF VISION AND A SENSE OF SYSTEM AT A TIME WHEN THE
17 ORGANIZATION REALLY DIDN'T UNDERSTAND THAT AND AT A TIME WHEN
18 ACTIONS WOULD SPEAK MUCH LOUDER THAN WORDS, THE 95 WAIVER, AND
19 THE WILLINGNESS TO THINK BEYOND THE HOSPITAL, TO THINK BEYOND
20 PUBLIC HEALTH AND PERSONAL HEALTH, TO FOUND THE VALLEY CARE
21 SYSTEM AS A MODEL AND THEN AS A MODEL THAT WE'RE NOW USING TO
22 REPLICATE IN OTHER PLACES IN THE ORGANIZATION IS SIMPLY
23 EXTRAORDINARY. I WON'T TELL FOLKS THAT YOU'RE MY PROBATION
24 OFFICER. [LAUGHTER]

25



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1 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** I WILL SAY, ON A VERY PERSONAL NOTE, AND
2 FOR THOSE OF YOU FROM MY DEPARTMENT, ONE OF THE REASONS WHY I
3 ENDED UP IN MANAGEMENT, ONE OF THE REASONS WHY I STEPPED AWAY
4 FROM THE BEDSIDE AND TEACHING GENERAL MEDICINE WAS BECAUSE OF
5 THE LEADERSHIP THAT YOU SHOWED ME AND THE MENTORING YOU GAVE
6 ME EARLIER IN MY CAREER. SO, ON A PERSONAL NOTE AND ON BEHALF
7 OF THE DEPARTMENT, THANK YOU VERY MUCH AND CONGRATULATIONS ON
8 YOUR RETIREMENT. [APPLAUSE]

9

10 **MELINDA ANDERSON:** I WAS BEGINNING TO THINK THAT THEY WERE
11 TALKING ABOUT SOMETHING ELSE OR SOMEBODY ELSE. 40 YEARS IS A
12 SHORT PERIOD OF TIME IN COUNTY LIFE AND ONE OF THE THINGS THAT
13 I'M LEAVING WITH THE STAFF AND THAT I WANT TO LEAVE WITH ALL
14 OF YOU IS A BIG DEBT OF GRATITUDE FOR ALLOWING ME TO DO THIS
15 WORK. IT GOES BEYOND ANYTHING I CAN SAY HERE EXCEPT FOR THANK
16 YOU AND I REALLY WANT TO THANK ALL OF THE SUPERVISORS BECAUSE
17 YOU'VE BEEN ALL SUPPORTIVE OF ALL THE THINGS WE'VE TRIED TO DO
18 AROUND THE DEPARTMENT AND I ESPECIALLY WANT TO THANK MR.
19 ANTONOVICH, WHO HAD TO TOLERATE ME A LOT WHEN I DID GO OUTSIDE
20 THE BOX, BUT WE GOT THE THINGS DONE ANYWAY. SO THANK YOU VERY
21 MUCH FOR ALLOWING ME TO SPEND THIS SHORT PERIOD OF TIME, THE
22 40 YEARS WITH YOU. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE]

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WELL, THIS IS EARTHQUAKE PREPAREDNESS MONTH
25 AND WE HAVE THE BOARD PROCLAIMING APRIL 2007 AS EARTHQUAKE



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1 PREPAREDNESS MONTH THROUGHOUT OUR COUNTY. IN 1989, THE COUNTY
2 ADOPTED AND IMPLEMENTED A PROGRAM, INITIATED THE EMERGENCY
3 SURVIVAL PROGRAM, AN INTERNATIONALLY RECOGNIZED EASY-TO-FOLLOW
4 METHOD FOR INDIVIDUALS, NEIGHBORHOODS, BUSINESSES AND SCHOOLS
5 TO PREPARE THEMSELVES TO REDUCE INJURIES, LOSS OF LIFE,
6 PROPERTY DAMAGE AND-- DURING AN EARTHQUAKE AND OTHER HAZARDS.
7 OUR STATE HAS EXPERIENCED NUMEROUS EARTHQUAKES AND WE ARE
8 WAITING FOR THE NEXT BIG ONE, THAT USUALLY OCCURS AROUND EVERY
9 10 TO 15 YEARS, INCLUDING THE LAST ONE WAS THE MAGNITUDE 6.7
10 NORTHRIDGE EARTHQUAKE IN JANUARY 17, 1994, WHICH RESULTED IN A
11 GREAT DEAL OF PROPERTY LOSS AND DAMAGE AND LOSS OF LIFE. IN
12 THE LAST 10 YEARS, MAJOR EARTHQUAKES THROUGHOUT CALIFORNIA
13 HAVE COMBINED AND CAUSE-- RESULTED IN 120 DEATHS AND OVER \$50
14 BILLION IN REPORTED DAMAGE AND LOSSES. OUR EARTHQUAKE
15 PREPAREDNESS MONTH IS DESIGNED TO INCREASE PUBLIC AWARENESS
16 AND PROPER PROCEDURES TO FOLLOW WHAT HAPPENS AFTER AN
17 EARTHQUAKE. FIRST, WE'RE GOING TO MAKE PRESENTATIONS TO KEITH
18 HARRIS, WHO IS THE-- I SHOULD SAY FIRST JOYCE HARRIS, THE
19 PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER AND EMERGENCY SERVICES AND KEITH
20 HARRIS TO JOIN THE BOARD, WHO IS THE-- WITH THE OFFICE OF
21 EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS AND GIVE YOU THIS PROCLAMATION AND
22 WE'RE GOING TO RECOGNIZE EACH OF OUR SPONSORS. SO JOYCE? OH,
23 THERE YOU ARE OVER THERE. OKAY. [APPLAUSE]
24



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LET ME MAKE THESE PRESENTATIONS AND THEN
2 WE'LL HAVE THEM EACH SAY A FEW WORDS. FIRST IS TO HOWARD KHAN,
3 THE C.E.O. AND THOMAS TRAIN, PUBLIC RELATIONS SPECIALIST, AND
4 MARCIA WILLIAMS, THE GOVERNMENT RELATIONS SPECIALIST FROM L.A.
5 CARE HEALTH PLAN FOR THEIR SUPPORT. L.A. CARE HEALTH PLAN IS
6 THE NATION'S LARGEST PUBLIC HEALTH PLAN AND IS COMMITTED TO
7 IMPROVING THE HEALTH AND WELLBEING OF OUR RESIDENTS THROUGHOUT
8 LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THEY DONATED \$10,000 TO THE EMERGENCY
9 SURVIVAL PROGRAM TO ASSIST IN OUR PUBLIC EDUCATION OUTREACH.
10 SOME OF THE DONATIONS WERE ALSO USED TO PRODUCE ESP TIPS FOR
11 PEOPLE WITH DISABILITY GUIDES IN ALTERNATE FORMATS INCLUDING
12 BRAILLE, WHICH IS VERY IMPORTANT, LARGE PRINT AND AUDIO.
13 THEY'VE DONE AN OUTSTANDING JOB, AND SO WE WANT TO THANK L.A.
14 CARE. [APPLAUSE]

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NEXT IS PAUL JARABECK, A NETWORK SECURITY
17 OFFICER FROM THE FIRST FEDERAL BANK OF CALIFORNIA FOR THEIR
18 SUPPORT. THE BANK IS COMMITTED TO CUSTOMER SERVICE AND HELPING
19 THEIR CUSTOMERS MANAGE BETTER THEIR FINANCES THROUGH BETTER
20 INVESTMENTS AND LIVING BETTER. THEY HAVE GENEROUSLY DONATED
21 \$3,000 TO THE COUNTY'S PROGRAM, AND WE WANT TO THANK FIRST
22 FEDERAL BANK OF CALIFORNIA FOR YOUR DONATION. [APPLAUSE]

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND COMMUNICATIONS IS SO IMPORTANT, AND KELLY
25 CAIN BENTON, WHO IS THE DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY RELATIONS FROM



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1 TALK RADIO 790 KBC, WE WANT TO RECOGNIZE THEIR STATION FOR
2 THEIR SECOND ANNUAL-- WHO HOSTED THEIR SECOND ANNUAL
3 OPERATION, GET YOUR KIT TOGETHER RADIOTHON IN SEPTEMBER 2006
4 TO PROMOTE EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS WHILE BENEFITING DISASTER
5 RELIEF AGENCIES AND NON-PROFIT EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS
6 AGENCIES. TALK RADIO 790 KABC DONATED \$15,000 FROM FUNDS
7 RAISED DURING THEIR RADIOATHON TO OUR COUNTY'S EMERGENCY
8 SURVIVAL PROGRAM AND, AGAIN, INFORMATION PREPAREDNESS KITS
9 WERE OFFERED TO THE TALKATHON RADIO KABC LISTENING AUDIENCE
10 DURING THE RADIOTHON TO HELP SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA RESIDENTS
11 PREPARE FOR A FUTURE EARTHQUAKE. THEY MADE A COMMITMENT TO
12 BROADCAST SPECIAL PUBLIC AFFAIRS SHOWS ON EMERGENCY
13 PREPAREDNESS AND TO EDUCATE THE RESIDENTS TO STAY INFORMED AND
14 TO PREPARE FOR THE NEXT DISASTER. SO, IN TURN, THEY ARE
15 PLANNING TO INCLUDE THE COUNTY'S EMERGENCY SURVIVAL PROGRAM AS
16 A MAJOR BENEFICIARY IN THEIR THIRD ANNUAL OPERATION, WHICH
17 WILL BEGIN IN SEPTEMBER OF 2007. JOYCE HARRIS IS GOING TO TAKE
18 IT FOR HER. [APPLAUSE]

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WE'LL HAVE JOYCE TO SAY FEW WORDS, THEN EACH
21 OF OUR SPONSORS.

22

23 **JOYCE HARRIS:** THANK YOU. I'D JUST LIKE TO ENCOURAGE EVERYONE
24 TO GET PREPARED FOR THE NEXT DISASTER. WE DON'T KNOW WHEN IT
25 WILL HAPPEN BUT WE DO KNOW THAT IT WILL. THERE'S A WEALTH OF



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1 INFORMATION AVAILABLE FROM THE COUNTY'S EMERGENCY SURVIVAL
2 PROGRAM AT ESPFOCUS.ORG AND THERE'S EARTHQUAKE-SPECIFIC
3 INFORMATION AVAILABLE FROM DARETOPREPARE.ORG. THANK YOU.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** KEITH HARRISON FROM THE OFFICE, DO YOU WANT
6 TO SAY A FEW WORDS?

7

8 **KEITH HARRISON:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. THANK YOU, BOARD. YOUR
9 CONTINUED SUPPORT TO EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS AND RECOGNITION OF
10 THE NEED FOR THE CITIZENS AND THE COUNTY TO PREPARE FOR
11 EARTHQUAKES AND OTHER EMERGENCIES MAKES THIS ALL POSSIBLE, NOT
12 ONLY FOR THE CITIZENS OF OUR COUNTY BUT ALLOWS US TO PROVIDE
13 LEADERSHIP IN A COLLABORATIVE EFFORT THROUGHOUT SOUTHERN
14 CALIFORNIA. THANK YOU AGAIN.

15

16 **SPEAKER:** MY FAMILY HAS AN EARTHQUAKE PREPAREDNESS KIT. IT
17 WEIGHS 20 POUNDS. IF YOU ARE WHEELCHAIR BOUND, IT WON'T DO YOU
18 MUCH GOOD AND, AT L.A. CARE, WE REALIZE THAT AND WE WANTED TO
19 SUPPORT THE COUNTY IN ITS EFFORTS TO SPECIALIZE THE ASSISTANCE
20 TO PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES.

21

22 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU TO THE BOARD AND THANK YOU TO THE
23 SUPERVISORS FOR THE HONOR. THANK YOU.

24

25 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** GROUP SHOT.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THEY ALWAYS SAY CATS OR DOGS ALWAYS ACT A
3 LITTLE STRANGE BEFORE AN EARTHQUAKE. SO, WE HAVE A LITTLE
4 GIRL, MISTY, WHO IS DOMESTIC SHORT HAired CAT WHO IS SIX WEEKS
5 OLD AND MAYBE SHE COULD BE YOUR LITTLE WARNER. [MEOWING]

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7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ANYWAY, THIS IS LITTLE MISTY. YOU WANT TO SAY
8 SOMETHING? [MEOWING]

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10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SHE'S SAYING SHE WOULD LIKE TO GO TO YOUR
11 HOME AND SHE WILL PROMISE TO STAY IN THE LITTER BOX, IF YOU'LL
12 ADOPT HER. SO YOU CAN CALL THE TELEPHONE NUMBER (562) 728-4644.
13 [MEOWING]

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OR ANYBODY IN THE AUDIENCE WHO WOULD LIKE TO
16 TAKE LITTLE MISTY HOME. [MEOWING]

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18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THAT GOES ALL OVER THE COUNTY. SHE'S VERY
19 BEAUTIFUL. [MEOWING CONTINUES]

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21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. SUPERVISOR MOLINA.

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23 **SUP. MOLINA:** MR. CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS, I'M VERY PROUD TO BE
24 JOINED HERE BY MR. ANDY BATES, WHO IS THE PRESIDENT OF THE
25 UNION RESCUE MISSION AND DR. MALCOLM LEE. MISS JOLIE-- OH,



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1 OKAY, SHE'S OUT IN THE AUDIENCE. MAYBE SHE'LL COME UP AND
2 JOINING US AS WELL, MISS JOLIE, AND MR. STEVE SOLISE AND MR.
3 JIM GOYER, WHO ARE RECEIVING SPECIAL RECOGNITION. I'M GOING TO
4 ASK THEM TO COME UP, BECAUSE THIS HAS BEEN A TEAM EFFORT ALL
5 THE WAY THROUGH, RIGHT?

6

7 **SPEAKER:** THIS IS MR. WARREN CURRIE, OUR C.E.O.

8

9 **SUP. MOLINA:** HOW ARE YOU DOING, SIR? MR. CURRIE, WELCOME. ON
10 DECEMBER 4TH OF 2006, THE UNION RESCUE MISSION CELEBRATED ITS
11 115TH ANNIVERSARY AND TODAY WE'RE VERY PROUD TO PAY TRIBUTE TO
12 THE UNION RESCUE MISSION. THE MISSION HAS SERVED, AS MANY OF
13 YOU KNOW, THE DESPERATELY POOR AND THE HOMELESS IN THE CITY OF
14 LOS ANGELES SINCE DECEMBER 4TH OF 1891. IT IS THE OLDEST
15 FACILITY OF ITS KIND IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES AND IS ONE OF
16 THE VERY FIRST RESCUE MISSIONS TO OPERATE IN THE ENTIRE UNITED
17 STATES. EACH YEAR, NUMEROUS INDIVIDUALS ARE SERVED BY THE
18 UNION RESCUE MISSION'S EMERGENCY SHELTER PROGRAM AND THEY'RE
19 INVITED TO JOIN THE UNION RESCUE MISSION'S RESIDENCY RECOVERY
20 AND RESTORATION PROGRAMS, WHERE THEY CAN REBUILD THEIR BROKEN
21 AND MANY OFTEN SCARRED LIVES. THESE PROGRAMS HAVE MADE LASTING
22 AND VERY POSITIVE CHANGES IN THE LIVES OF PEOPLE WHO SEEK A
23 BETTER LIFE FOR THEMSELVES AND THEIR FAMILIES. AND WE WANT TO
24 THANK THE MISSION FOR CONTINUALLY ADAPTING ITS SERVICES AND
25 PROGRAMS TO MEETING THE CHANGING NEEDS OF THE UNFORTUNATE



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1 HOMELESS POPULATION THAT WE CONTINUE TO HAVE THROUGHOUT OUR
2 COMMUNITY. TODAY, WE'RE VERY PROUD TO HONOR THE UNION RESCUE
3 MISSION FOR THEIR 115 YEARS OF AIDING THE HOMELESS AND THE
4 DESTITUTE. WE APPLAUD THEIR CONTINUED DEDICATION TO THESE
5 EFFORTS TO MAKE THE CITY AND THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES A
6 BETTER PLACE TO LIVE. I'M VERY HONORED TO MAKE THIS
7 PRESENTATION. WE HAVE SEEN THEM OUT THERE, I HAVE REPRESENTED
8 THE L.A. AREA FOR A LONG TIME, EITHER AS A LEGISLATOR OR A
9 CITY COUNCIL WOMAN AND NOW AS A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF
10 SUPERVISORS AND I KNOW WELL THE WORK THAT YOU DO. IT IS
11 IMPORTANT WORK AND IT'S VERY UNFORTUNATE THAT WE HAVE SO MANY
12 PEOPLE WHO CONTINUE TO NEED OUR SERVICES AND UNFORTUNATELY
13 CONTINUE TO EXPAND THE NEED AND SO WE ARE TRYING ON OUR PART
14 TO DO WHAT WE CAN AS A COUNTY BUT IT DOESN'T MATCH BY
15 COMPARISON TO THE KIND OF COMPASSION, THE WORK AND THE EFFORTS
16 THAT ALL OF YOU HAVE MADE THROUGHOUT THE YEARS, THROUGHOUT THE
17 CENTURY, ALMOST, RIGHT? IT IS AMAZING. SO CONGRATULATIONS TO
18 ALL OF YOU. IT IS INDEED MY HONOR TO MAKE THIS PRESENTATION.
19 CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE]

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21 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU, HONORABLE SUPERVISOR GLORIA MOLINA AND
22 HONORABLE SUPERVISORS. I HAVE WITH ME OUR C.E.O., WARREN
23 CURRIE, HE'S OUR RETIRING C.E.O. HE AND HIS FATHER HAVE BEEN
24 PART NEARLY OF ONE-HALF OF THE HISTORY OF UNION RESCUE
25 MISSION. WE'RE PRIVATELY FUNDED. WE HOUSE NEARLY 810 MEN,



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1 WOMEN AND CHILDREN EACH NIGHT. WE LOOK FORWARD TO THE DAYS
2 AHEAD OF ASSISTING THE COUNTY, WORKING WITH THE COUNTY TO MAKE
3 SURE THERE ARE NO WOMEN AND CHILDREN LEFT ON THE STREETS OF
4 SKID ROW OR THE STREETS OF L.A. AND WE APPRECIATE YOUR
5 CONTINUED SUPPORT OF UNION RESCUE MISSION AND OF HOPE GARDEN'S
6 FAMILY CENTER TO MAKE SURE THAT WE CAN FULFILL THAT VISION FOR
7 THE FUTURE. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE]

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9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR BURKE.

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11 **SUP. BURKE:** THANK YOU. I'D LIKE TO CALL FORWARD CARLOS
12 JACKSON. THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES REPRESENTS ONE OF THE MOST
13 DIVERSE JURISDICTIONS IN THE NATION. THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
14 COMMISSION OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY OPERATES THE LARGEST URBAN
15 COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM IN THE
16 NATION. THIS PROGRAM HAS BEEN IN OPERATION SINCE 1975,
17 PROVIDING LOCAL GOVERNMENTS WITH THE RESOURCES REQUIRED TO
18 MEET THE NEEDS OF PERSONS OF LOW AND MODERATE INCOME. C.D.B.G.
19 FUNDS HAVE BEEN PROVIDED TO A GREAT NUMBER OF NEIGHBORHOOD-
20 BASED NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS THROUGHOUT LOS ANGELES COUNTY.
21 THIS PROGRAM HAS HAD A SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON THE LOS ANGELES
22 COUNTY LOCAL ECONOMY THROUGH JOB CREATION, JOB RETENTION,
23 PHYSICAL, REDEVELOPMENT AND IMPROVEMENT OF TAX BASE. IT IS
24 WITH GREAT PLEASURE THAT THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF



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1 SUPERVISORS PROCLAIMS APRIL 9TH THROUGH APRIL 15TH, 2007, AS
2 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT WEEK. [APPLAUSE]

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4 **CARLOS JACKSON:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR AND MEMBERS OF THE
5 BOARD. ONE OF THE PROGRAMS THAT HAS ALWAYS BEEN AN APPEALER IN
6 OUR COMMUNITY HAS BEEN THE C.D.B.G. PROGRAM AND MANY OF YOU
7 HAVE BENEFITED FROM THE DIFFERENT ACTIVITIES THAT HAVE BEEN
8 IMPLEMENTED ON YOUR BEHALF. IT'S AN AREA OF HOUSING, PUBLIC
9 SERVICES, HOUSING REHAB, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT. IT'S A VERY
10 DIVERSIFIED PROGRAM THAT HAS GIVEN US THE OPPORTUNITY TO
11 ADDRESS SOCIOECONOMIC PROBLEMS AND CONDITIONS IN L.A. COUNTY.
12 SO, ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION, I REALLY ACCEPT THIS.

13

14 **SUP. BURKE:** CONGRATULATIONS. WE USE THE PROGRAM A LOT AND I'M
15 SURE ALL THE DISTRICTS DO. NOW, CARLOS, WE'RE GOING TO BE
16 JOINED BY LIAM GARLAND, LITIGATION DIRECTOR OF HOUSING RIGHTS
17 CENTER. THIS MONTH MARKS THE 39TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ENACTMENT
18 OF THE CIVIL RIGHTS ACT OF 1968 TITLE 8 WHICH GUARANTEED THE
19 RIGHT TO EQUAL HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL PERSONS
20 REGARDLESS OF RACE, COLOR, RELIGION AND NATIONAL ORIGIN.
21 AMENDMENTS LATER TO THIS ACT BROADENED THE FAIR HOUSING
22 PROTECTION TO INCLUDE PERSONS, REGARDLESS OF GENDER AND
23 FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN. THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
24 OF LOS ANGELES SUPPORTS AND PROMOTES FAIR HOUSING ACTIVITIES
25 THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE HOUSING RIGHTS



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1 CENTER, THE FAIR HOUSING FOUNDATION OF LONG BEACH AND THE SAN
2 FERNANDO VALLEY FAIR HOUSING COUNCIL. THE NATION ANNUALLY
3 CELEBRATES THE RIGHTS GRANTED UNDER THE ACT DURING THE MONTH
4 OF APRIL. AND THIS YEAR THE NATION'S THEME IS, "FAIR HOUSING,
5 IT'S NOT AN OPTION, IT'S THE LAW". IT'S WITH GREAT PLEASURE
6 THAT THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PROCLAIMS
7 APRIL 7TH AS FAIR HOUSING MONTH IN ORDER TO RECOGNIZE THE
8 VALUE AND IMPORTANCE OF THE RIGHTS GUARANTEED UNDER THE ACT.
9 CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE]

10

11 **LIAM GARLAND:** ON BEHALF OF THE STAFF AND THE BOARD OF THE
12 HOUSING RIGHTS CENTER, I WOULD LIKE TO PERSONALLY THANK
13 SUPERVISOR BURKE AND THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD GENERALLY, NOT
14 ONLY FOR THE RECOGNITION OF THIS MONTH AS FAIR HOUSING MONTH
15 BUT FOR THEIR CONTINUAL AFFIRMATION OF THE PRINCIPLES
16 GENERATED ABOUT 40 YEARS AGO THAT HOUSING SHOULD BE
17 DISCRIMINATION FREE. AND, WITH THE GENEROUS SUPPORT OF THIS
18 BOARD, THE HOUSING RIGHTS CENTER IN THE LAST YEAR HAS BEEN
19 ABLE TO ASSIST MORE THAN 3,000 CLIENTS AND LOOKS FORWARD TO
20 DOING THE SAME IN THE COMING YEARS. SO, ONCE AGAIN, WE EXTEND
21 OUR SINCERE GRATITUDE TO THIS BOARD FOR ITS CONTINUING
22 DEDICATION TO ELIMINATING HOUSING DISCRIMINATION. [APPLAUSE]

23

24 **SUP. BURKE:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. AND WE KNOW THAT THERE ARE
25 STILL A LOT OF ISSUES OF FAIR HOUSING THAT HAVE TO BE



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1 ADDRESSED, PARTICULARLY IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. WE WISH
2 THE PROBLEM WAS OVER NOW BUT UNFORTUNATELY IT IS NOT. SO
3 CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU. I'D LIKE TO CALL RUSS GUINEA FORWARD,
4 DIRECTOR OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY PARKS AND REC. L.A. COUNTY
5 DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND REC HAS RECOGNIZED THE EPIDEMIC OF
6 CHILDHOOD AND ADULT OBESITY AND ESTABLISHED A COUNTY-WIDE
7 HEALTHY PARKS PROGRAM TO EDUCATE CHILDREN AND FAMILIES ABOUT
8 HOW OBESITY CAN LEAD TO HEART DISEASE, DIABETES, CANCER, DEATH
9 AND OVERALL CHRONIC DISEASE. PROVIDING A RECREATIONAL AND
10 EDUCATIONAL ENVIRONMENT CONDUCIVE TO THE HEALTH OF CHILDREN
11 LEADS TO BETTER SCHOOL ATTENDANCE, IMPROVED BEHAVIOR, LOWER
12 INCIDENCE OF ILLNESS AND INCREASED ATTENTION, CREATIVITY AND
13 ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT. HEALTH, NUTRITION, EDUCATION AND
14 PHYSICAL FITNESS ARE EXTREMELY IMPORTANT TOOLS FOR ALL FAMILY
15 MEMBERS. WITH RESEARCH CONFIRMING THAT PREVENTION PROGRAMS
16 OFFER SIGNIFICANT BENEFITS TO THE POPULATION AT LARGE, COUNTY
17 RESIDENTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO GO TO THEIR LOCAL COUNTY PARK AND
18 PARTICIPATE IN THIS COUNTY-WIDE EFFORT. AND WE WANT TO PRESENT
19 TO YOU, WITH GREAT PLEASURE, LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF
20 SUPERVISORS, AS WE PROCLAIM THE MONTH OF APRIL 7TH AS HEALTHY
21 PARKS MONTH. [APPLAUSE]

22

23 **RUSS GUINEA:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. THE VERY STARTLING FACTS
24 ARE THAT, IN 1982, 4% OF OUR CHILDREN WERE OVERWEIGHT. 25
25 YEARS LATER, 17% OF OUR CHILDREN ARE OVERWEIGHT. 58 MILLION



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1 AMERICANS ARE OVERWEIGHT AND, OF THAT NUMBER, 40 MILLION ARE
2 OBESE. 78% OF US IN THIS COUNTRY DON'T EXERCISE AT THE LEVELS
3 THAT WE SHOULD. THESE FACTS HAVE COME ABOUT BECAUSE CHANGE IN
4 DIET, CHANGE IN EXERCISE, CHANGE IN ACTIVITIES. BUT THE GOOD
5 NEWS IS THAT, WHERE PEOPLE HAVE ACCESS TO A PLACE TO EXERCISE
6 AND RECREATE, 25% OF THEM TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THAT OPPORTUNITY
7 AND BEGIN TO TURN THESE NUMBERS AROUND AND THAT'S WHY OUR
8 PARKS ARE SO VERY IMPORTANT, BECAUSE THEY'RE PLACES WHERE
9 PEOPLE CAN COME TO EXERCISE, THEY CAN JOIN SPORTS LEAGUES,
10 THEY CAN BECOME PHYSICALLY ACTIVE. WE ALSO OFFER PROGRAMS ON
11 HOW TO PREPARE HEALTHY MEALS. WE'RE CHANGING OUR SNACK PROGRAM
12 FOR AFTER SCHOOL AND SPORTS LEAGUES TO INCLUDE MORE HEALTHY
13 FOODS AND LESS SUGARY AND HIGH FAT FOODS. WE'RE MAKING A
14 TREMENDOUS EFFORT TO TURN THIS AROUND AND WE'VE HAD GREAT
15 SUPPORT FROM THE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, FROM PRIVATE
16 HOSPITALS AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONS THAT ARE EQUALLY CONCERNED.
17 I HAVE WITH ME TODAY SOME OF OUR STAFF WHO ARE INVOLVED IN
18 IMPLEMENTING THESE NEW PROGRAMS AND WE APPRECIATE THE SUPPORT
19 OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IN HELPING US IMPLEMENT HEALTHY
20 PARKS THROUGHOUT LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

21

22 **SUP. BURKE:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I'D LIKE TO AT THIS TIME CALL
23 FORWARD HOWARD PHILLIPS. THIS IS REALLY RETIREMENT DAY, YEAH.
24 HOWARD BEGAN HIS COUNTY CAREER IN JULY OF 1966 WITH THE ROAD
25 DEPARTMENT, PERFORMING ADMINISTRATIVE WORK, BEFORE



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1 TRANSFERRING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL IN 1969, WHERE HE
2 FOCUSED HIS CAREER IN THE FIELD OF HUMAN RESOURCES. HE WORKED
3 IN MANY FIELDS OF HUMAN RESOURCE, INCLUDING RECRUITMENT AND
4 SELECTION, APPEALS AND EMPLOYEE DEVELOPMENT. IN 1990, HE
5 JOINED THE OFFICE OF AFFIRMATIVE ACTION COMPLIANCE WHERE HE
6 WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE DEVELOPMENT AND DELIVERY OF EQUAL
7 EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY PROGRAMS SUCH AS AFFIRMATIVE ACTION,
8 VALUING DIVERSITY AND SEXUAL HARASSMENT PREVENTION. IN 2000,
9 HE TRANSFERRED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES WHERE HE
10 WAS PROMOTED TO AN ASSISTANT DIVISION CHIEF RESPONSIBLE FOR
11 LEADING STAFF AND CONSULTING WITH COUNTY DEPARTMENTS ON
12 APPEALS AND EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE ISSUES. HOWARD HAS ELECTED TO
13 RETIRE AFTER 40 YEARS. 40 YEARS, OH, MY GOODNESS, OF DEDICATED
14 SERVICE AND PLANS TO PURSUE VARIED INTERESTS RANGING FROM
15 WALKING HIS 120-POUND GOLDEN RETRIEVER, WINSTON, VOLUNTEERING
16 AS A READER FOR THE BLIND, VISITING HIS GRANDCHILDREN AND
17 TAKING SALSA DANCE LESSONS WITH HIS WIFE, LORINDA. IT IS WITH
18 GREAT PLEASURE THAT I PRESENT THIS SCROLL TO HOWARD PHILLIPS
19 FOR 40 YEARS OF DEVOTED AND LAUDABLE SERVICE TO THE COUNTY OF
20 LOS ANGELES AND EXTEND TO HIM BEST WISHES ON HIS RETIREMENT.
21 YOU DESERVE IT. CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE]

22

23 **MICHAEL J. HENRY:** HOWARD, FOR THE LAST TWO WEEKS, WE'VE HAD
24 MANY CELEBRATIONS AND THE RETIREMENT PARTY. AND, ON BEHALF OF
25 THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES, WE WANT TO CONGRATULATE YOU



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1 AND LORINDA ON YOUR 40 YEARS OF COUNTY SERVICE AND YOUR
2 RETIREMENT AND WISH YOU THE BEST. [APPLAUSE]
3
4 **HOWARD PHILLIPS:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISORS, THANK YOU VERY MUCH,
5 THE BOARD. THANK YOU. I'M ONE OF THOSE PEOPLE WHO-- I DON'T
6 REALLY SERVE THE PUBLIC, I SERVE OTHER COUNTY EMPLOYEES. IN
7 FACT, I EVEN GAVE A SEXUAL HARASSMENT PREVENTION CLASS TO YOUR
8 WIFE, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, AND SHE PASSED. I JUST WANT TO
9 THANK SOME PEOPLE. MIKE HENRY. JOHN HILL WAS ONE OF MY OLD
10 BOSSES BEFORE HE CAME TO YOU. HE WAS THE HEAD OF THE OFFICE OF
11 AFFIRMATIVE ACTION AND LOU TUCKUCHI, WHO IS MY SUPERVISOR, WHO
12 I LOVE WORKING WITH. I WANT TO THANK THE EMPLOYEES OF OTHER
13 DEPARTMENTS WHO I WORK WITH, THE COUNTY COUNSEL, I'VE WORKED
14 WITH THEM AND HAVE HIGH RESPECT FOR THE COUNTY COUNSEL'S
15 OFFICE AND THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE, SOMETIMES I HAVE
16 HIGH RESPECT FOR YOU GUYS, TOO. MOST TIMES I DO. IT'S BEEN MY
17 PLEASURE TO SERVE OTHER COUNTY EMPLOYEES AND BE INSPIRED BY
18 THE SERVICE THAT THEY PERFORM AND I'M HAPPY TO RETIRE AND I'LL
19 BE COMING BACK AGAIN AS A 120-DAY WONDER TO DO SOME OTHER WORK
20 WITH THE COUNTY. I ALSO WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE MY WIFE FOR HER
21 SUPPORT, FOR MYSELF AND MY FAMILY THROUGHOUT THESE YEARS WITH
22 THE COUNTY, BUT THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. [
23 APPLAUSE]

24



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. I DON'T THINK THERE ARE ANY
2 OTHER PRESENTATIONS, SO WE'LL GO FORWARD WITH THE AGENDA.
3 LET'S TAKE UP ITEM 57. A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC HAD ASKED TO BE
4 HEARD ON ITEM 57. WE HAVE SEVERAL MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC.
5 THOMAS-- I CAN'T READ THE LAST NAME. 500 SOUTH GRAND AVENUE.
6 ALL RIGHT. JAMES RASMUSSEN. STANLEY LAMPORT AND KIKI EBSEN.
7 ARE YOU THOMAS?

8

9 **JAMES RASMUSSEN:** NO. I'M JAMES RASMUSSEN.

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11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WHO IS THOMAS E...

12

13 **JAMES RASMUSSEN:** TOM IS ON A CONFERENCE CALL RIGHT NOW

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WHAT'S HIS NAME?

16

17 **JAMES RASMUSSEN:** THOMAS SHUCK.

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19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SHUCK. OKAY. I COULDN'T READ THE
20 HANDWRITING.

21

22 **JAMES RASMUSSEN:** S-H-U-C-K.

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24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** S?

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1 **JAMES RASMUSSEN:** S-H-U-C-K.

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3 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** U-C-K. S-H-U-C-K. OKAY. ALL RIGHT.
4 ARE YOU GOING TO SPEAK FOR KIKI EBSSEN?

5

6 **STANLEY LAMPORT:** I AM.

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

9

10 **STANLEY LAMPORT:** SHE'S IN THE AUDIENCE BUT SHE DOESN'T NEED TO
11 SPEAK.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** DOESN'T NEED TO SPEAK. ALL RIGHT.
14 WHO WANTS TO GO FIRST?

15

16 **STANLEY LAMPORT:** I'M HAPPY TO. GOOD MORNING, MEMBERS OF THE
17 BOARD. WE HAD ASKED FOR THIS TO BE CALLED BECAUSE WE HAD HAD A
18 CONCERN ABOUT THE-- ONE OF THE CONDITIONS IN THE FINAL MAP
19 THAT WAS TO ASSURE, PROVIDE GUARANTEED CONTINUED ACCESS TO MY
20 CLIENT'S PROPERTY AND, SINCE THE SUBDIVISION IS GOING TO BE
21 LOCATED WHERE MY CLIENT'S SOLE ACCESS TO HER PROPERTY IS, WE
22 HAD, OBVIOUSLY, SOME SIGNIFICANT CONCERNS ABOUT THIS. AND WE
23 HAD ASKED FOR SOME LANGUAGE TO BE INCLUDED, WHICH I NOW
24 UNDERSTAND HAS BEEN INCLUDED AND I WAS HANDED A REVISION THIS
25 MORNING TO THE CCNRS AND A REVISION TO THE EASEMENT DEED WHICH



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1 DO ADDRESS THE CONCERNS THAT WE HAD. AND SO, IN THAT REGARD,
2 THOSE CONCERNS HAVE BEEN SATISFIED. SO WE HAD-- WE WANTED TO
3 MAKE SURE THAT HER HISTORIC RIGHTS TO ACCESS HER PROPERTY
4 THROUGH THE SUBDIVISION WERE MAINTAINED. THAT THAT EXTENDED TO
5 OTHER PEOPLE WHO CAME TO HER PROPERTY, HER GUESTS AND HER
6 INVITEES. IT'S A 35-ACRE PROPERTY THAT'S BEEN IN THE FAMILY
7 SINCE 1960, AND IT WAS JUST IMPORTANT THAT WE MADE SURE THAT
8 THOSE RIGHTS WEREN'T GOING TO BE ABRIDGED IN ANY FASHION.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY, BUT IT'S BEEN TAKEN CARE OF,
11 RIGHT?

12

13 **STANLEY LAMPORT:** IT HAS BEEN TAKEN CARE OF.

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. MR. RASMUSSEN?

16

17 **JAMES RASMUSSEN:** YEAH, I'M ACTUALLY THE PROPERTY
18 OWNER/BUILDER/DEVELOPER AND IT'S JUST A LITTLE 7-LOT
19 SUBDIVISION THAT-- THE LAST THREE PROJECTS THAT HAVE BEEN DONE
20 THERE IN LIBERTY CANYON HAVE HAD THAT SAME PREVIOUS EASEMENT
21 BLANKETED WITH AND I'VE DEALT WITH THE EPSONS ON EACH AND
22 EVERY ONE OF THEM AND, OBVIOUSLY, I'VE, YOU KNOW, DONE WHAT
23 THEY'VE ASKED ME TO DO. IT'S KIND OF BAD THAT THEY KIND OF DID
24 IT AT THE 11TH HOUR BUT...

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT BUT IT'S DONE?

2

3 **JAMES RASMUSSEN:** THAT'S LIFE.

4

5 **STANLEY LAMPORT:** THERE'S ONE LAST QUESTION I WANT TO MAKE SURE
6 OF, BECAUSE I HAVEN'T SEEN IT, BUT THERE WAS AN EXHIBIT TO THE
7 CCNRS THAT NEEDED TO BE CORRECTED TO SHOW THE WHOLE EASEMENT
8 AND I'M ASSUMING THAT THAT HAS OCCURRED BUT I JUST HAVEN'T
9 SEEN THE DOCUMENT.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WE'LL GET THAT CLARIFIED. THANK
12 YOU VERY MUCH. MR. WEISS?

13

14 **RICHARD WEISS:** MR. CHAIRMAN, THE SPEAKERS ARE CORRECT. WE WERE
15 WORKING WITH THE APPLICANT AND THE NEIGHBOR REGARDING FINAL
16 CHANGES TO THE EASEMENT DEED AND THE PROJECT CCNRS. WE'VE BEEN
17 PROVIDED WITH REVISED COPIES THIS MORNING. I WILL INTRODUCE
18 THOSE INTO THE RECORD. I BELIEVE, WITH THOSE CHANGES, THE
19 DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING IS WILLING TO REINSTITUTE ITS
20 APPROVAL FOR THE MAP TO RECORD AND I BELIEVE PUBLIC WORKS IS
21 ALSO RECOMMENDING THAT YOUR BOARD ADOPT THE RECOMMENDATION.

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. SO THE ITEM BEFORE US
24 IS TO APPROVE THE FINAL TRACT MAP?

25



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1 **RICHARD WEISS:** THAT'S CORRECT.

2

3 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AS MODIFIED OR AS AMENDED OR JUST-
4 - JUST APPROVE IT?

5

6 **RICHARD WEISS:** JUST APPROVE IT. WE HAVE THE DOCUMENTS FOR THE
7 RECORD WHICH THE MAP WILL BE SUBJECT TO.

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. ALL RIGHT. I'LL MOVE
10 IT. MS. BURKE SECONDS. WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE.
11 THANK YOU. ITEM NUMBER 21. THERE'S A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC WHO
12 WANTED TO BE HEARD ON THAT ONE. PETER BAXTER.

13

14 **PETER BAXTER:** MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF YOUR
15 HONORABLE BOARD, MISS HARPER, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, MY NAME IS
16 PETER BAXTER AND I LIVE IN LOS ANGELES. IT IS RESPECTFULLY
17 SUBMITTED THAT THE RESIDENTS OF LA CANADA FLINTRIDGE ARE
18 FACING A NEW FIRE SEASON THAT COULD BE THE WORST FIRE SEASON
19 EVER. THE RESIDENTS OF LA CANADA FLINTRIDGE FACE A FIRE POLICY
20 THAT IS EXPRESSLY AND EXPLICITLY CONFINED TO THE DISCRETION OF
21 ONE MAN, FIRE CHIEF P. MICHAEL FREEMAN. THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER
22 OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES IS BARRED BY LAW, A COUNTY
23 ORDINANCE, FROM SO MUCH AS QUESTIONING THE FIRE POLICY OF ONE
24 MAN, FIRE CHIEF P. MICHAEL FREEMAN. A COCOON OF ALL
25 ENCOMPASSING STEAM COULD ENVELOP A BRUSH FIRE THREATENED



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1 PROPERTY RIGHT AT THE MOMENT OF TIME WHEN A BRUSH FIRE IS
2 THREATENING. NOT A RESOURCE, NOT A CENT, AND PROTECTION IS
3 ALLOCATED TO PROTECT PROPERTY IMMEDIATELY AND DIRECTLY. ALL
4 FIRE PROTECTION IS DIRECTED TO EFFORTS TO EXTINGUISH BRUSH
5 FIRES AND BRUSH HAS NO VALUE WHATSOEVER, COMMERCIALY
6 SPEAKING. THE PROPERTY THAT IS THREATENED IS ALL THE
7 INDIVIDUALS OWNING THAT PROPERTY HAVE INVESTED OVER THEIR
8 LIFETIMES AND YET NOTHING IS DIRECTED TOWARDS PUTTING OUT A
9 FIRE IMMEDIATELY AND DIRECTLY AT THE PROPERTY, AT THE VALUABLE
10 PROPERTY. EVERYTHING, EVERYTHING IS ALLOCATED TO THE USELESS
11 TASK OF PRESERVING STUFF THAT CANNOT BE PURCHASED, IT CANNOT
12 BE SOLD. MR. CHAIRMAN, I WONDER IF I MIGHT MENTION TO YOU THAT
13 THE SERGEANT-AT-ARMS IS A SPECIAL PERSON FOR THE MEMBER OF THE
14 PUBLIC. HE'S A GUIDE AND A MENTOR AND I WANTED TO MENTION TO
15 YOU, SIR, THAT I'VE JUST LEARNED FROM THE SERGEANT-AT-ARMS
16 THAT HIS SON, WHO HAS BEEN SERVING IN IRAQ, HAS BEEN RETURNED
17 SAFELY TO THIS COUNTRY AND I'D LIKE TO LET YOU KNOW THAT I
18 THANK THE SERGEANT-AT-ARMS FOR HIS SON'S SERVICE AND JOIN WITH
19 HIM IN APPRECIATING HIS RETURN SAFELY TO THIS COUNTRY, ALL OF
20 WHICH IS RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED AND I THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN.

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22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, MR. BAXTER. THERE'S NO
23 ONE ELSE WHO WISHES TO BE HEARD. THAT IS-- WHICH ITEM?

24

25 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM 21.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ITEM 21. THANKS. MR. ANTONOVICH
3 MOVES, MS. BURKE SECONDS. WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE ON
4 21. ITEM 28.

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6 **SUP. BURKE:** I HAVE AN AMENDMENT THAT WE'LL PASS OUT. THE
7 REDUCTION IN HOMELESS SKID ROW MUST ADDRESS THE NEED FOR
8 HOUSING AND SUPPORTIVE SERVICES FOR PEOPLE WHO ARE DISBURSED
9 FROM DOWNTOWN LOS ANGELES INTO OTHER COMMUNITIES THROUGHOUT
10 L.A. COUNTY. WE THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
11 INSTRUCT THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH TO TRACK OUTCOME
12 MEASURED FOR MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ACT FUNDED PROGRAMS THAT
13 PROVIDE COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICE AND SUPPORT PLAN FOR SKID ROW.
14 THESE SERVICES INCLUDE SERVICE AREA NAVIGATOR TEAMS, CRISIS
15 RESOLUTION SERVICES, FULL SERVICE PARTNERSHIPS, WELLNESS
16 CENTERS AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF HOUSING OPTIONS. THESE PROGRAMS
17 ARE EXPECTED TO REDUCE HOMELESSNESS AND UNNECESSARY
18 HOSPITALIZATION AND INCARCERATION WHILE PROMOTING RECOVERY AND
19 COMMUNITY REINTEGRATION, ESPECIALLY THE REINTEGRATION OF
20 INDIVIDUALS INTO AREAS WHERE SUFFICIENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING
21 DOES NOT CURRENTLY EXIST OR WHERE EXISTING SUPPORTIVE HOUSING
22 IS OVERSATURATED. WE FURTHER MOVE THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF
23 MENTAL HEALTH REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
24 QUARTERLY ON THE PROGRESS OF THESE NEW EFFORTS TO REDUCE
25 HOMELESSNESS IN SKID ROW IN COORDINATION WITH COMMUNITIES



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1 OUTSIDE OF SKID ROW. THERE'S BEEN A GREAT DEAL OF DISCUSSION
2 ABOUT THE IDEA OF DISPERSING INTO OTHER AREAS THE PEOPLE WHO
3 NOW RESIDE IN SKID ROW AND SOMETIMES IT'S BEEN DIFFICULT. BUT
4 ONE OF THE THINGS WE KNOW IS THAT IT'S ALREADY MANDATED BY
5 MENTAL HEALTH SERVICE ACT GUIDELINES THAT NEW FUNDED PROGRAMS
6 MUST BE EVIDENCE/RESULTS-BASED AND TO FIND OUT EXACTLY HOW
7 EFFECTIVE THEY ARE AND D.M.H. IS ALREADY PLANNING TO DO THIS,
8 BUT THERE IS ALSO A NEW MANDATE THAT'S NOT BEING DONE ON A
9 FORMAL BASIS AND, BECAUSE OF TENSE AND FRAGILE SITUATIONS IN
10 SKID ROW AND THE HEIGHTENED INTEREST IN HOMELESSNESS, IT WOULD
11 BE CERTAINLY ADVISABLE TO BE EXTRA CAREFUL AND DILIGENT IN
12 TRACKING AND FOLLOWING THROUGHOUT THIS POPULATION, ESPECIALLY
13 WHEN IT COMES TO THE AREA OF TRACKING AND BENCHMARKING
14 OUTCOMES.

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16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SECOND.

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18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIRMAN, COULD WE ALSO...

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20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MR. ANTONOVICH?

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22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ...INCLUDE THE NUMBER OF CLIENTS WHO REFUSE
23 MEDICAL TREATMENT OR DRUG OR ALCOHOL TREATMENT SO WE COULD SEE
24 WHAT THAT NUMBER IS?



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1 **SUP. BURKE:** THAT'S ACCEPTABLE.

2

3 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** NO PROBLEM. THAT WILL BE INCLUDED
4 IN THE MOTION. ANY OTHER DISCUSSION? IF NOT, BURKE MOVES, I'LL
5 SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE ON ITEM 28. ITEM 18.
6 MS. MOLINA, YOU HAD HELD IT. I ACTUALLY ASKED IT BE CONTINUED
7 FOR A COUPLE WEEKS UNTIL MR. JANSSEN GETS BACK. I UNDERSTAND
8 HE'S ACCESSIBLE. I KNOW HE'S ACCESSIBLE. WOULD YOU AGREE TO
9 ONE-WEEK CONTINUANCE?

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA:** NO. WE NEED TO MOVE FORWARD ON SOME OF THESE
12 ITEMS. I'D BE HAPPY TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS. WE'VE BEEN ASKING
13 THE QUESTIONS AS TO WHAT THEY MIGHT BE. WE'VE BEEN WORKING...

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MY PROBLEM IS-- CAN I JUST SPEAK
16 TO THAT, ON THE QUESTIONS?

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA:** SURE.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I DON'T KNOW WHAT QUESTIONS AND
21 WE'RE IN THE PROCESS OF DOING IT. WE COULDN'T GET A COPY OF
22 THE LEASE UNTIL VERY LATE IN THE PROCESS.

23

24 **SUP. MOLINA:** BUT IF WE WOULD HAVE GIVEN IT TO YOU-- WE NEED TO
25 MOVE FORWARD...



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WELL, WE DIDN'T KNOW THAT IT WAS
3 COMING UP UNTIL IT SHOWED UP ON THE AGENDA AND THAT'S WHEN WE
4 TRIED TO GET THE COPY-- ALL RIGHT. ALL I WOULD ASK AS A
5 COURTESY SO WE COULD JUST TAKE A LOOK AT IT. I DON'T THINK
6 THERE'S A PROBLEM. I'VE TALKED TO MR. RING ABOUT IT, WHO HAS
7 BEEN HELPFUL. I MEAN, THIS IS THE DOCUMENT AND WE HAVEN'T HAD
8 A CHANCE TO LOOK AT IT.

9

10 **SUP. MOLINA:** RIGHT. AND IT'S-- THIS IS A DOCUMENT THAT WE'VE
11 BEEN WORKING ON FOR OVER 10 YEARS. THE C.A.O. AND ALL OF US
12 HAVE BEEN WORKING ON IT NOW FOR A NUMBER OF MONTHS ON AN
13 ONGOING BASIS. THIS IS AN AGREEMENT THAT HAS TAKEN WELL OVER
14 10 YEARS TO DEVELOP BUT THIS PROJECT IS OVER 225 YEARS
15 OVERDUE, AS FAR AS I'M CONCERNED, BECAUSE IT'S THE ADOPTION OF
16 LA PLAZA DE CULTURA Y ARTES. AND, AGAIN, WE'VE BEEN TRYING TO
17 BE MORE THAN RESPECTFUL, MR. YAROSLAVSKY, IN ASKING YOUR STAFF
18 WHAT SOME OF THE QUESTIONS MIGHT BE. THIS HAS CERTAINLY BEEN
19 HERE. IT HAS BEEN AN OUTLINE THAT HAS BEEN FOLLOWED. SHARON
20 HAS BEEN INVOLVED WITH IT, DAVID JANSSEN SUPPORTS IT
21 COMPLETELY AND WE HAVE A GREAT OPPORTUNITY BECAUSE THIS IS
22 GOING TO BE LA PLAZA, WHICH IS GOING TO BE OFFICIALLY JOINING
23 LACMA, THE NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM, THE DISNEY CONCERT HALL,
24 THE HOLLYWOOD BOWL, THE MUSIC CENTER AS WELL AS THE COUNTY
25 ARTS VENUE AND WE'RE GOING TO HAVE A VERY, VERY-- IT'S GOING



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1 TO BE UNIQUE ROLE FOR THE COUNTY TO UNDERTAKE AS A CULTURAL
2 INSTITUTION. ITS MISSION IS TO TELL THE STORY OF LOS ANGELES
3 FROM THE VERY BEGINNING. AS WE ALL KNOW, L.A. WAS FOUNDED BY A
4 SMALL GROUP OF ANGELINOS WHO SOUGHT TO CREATE THE CITY
5 ADJACENT NEXT TO THE RIVER WHICH IS KNOWN AS EL PUEBLO BUT
6 NONE OF THEM COULD HAVE IMAGINED THAT THIS SMALL LITTLE TOWN
7 WOULD BECOME WHAT LOS ANGELES IS TODAY. SO WE HAVE AN
8 OPPORTUNITY TO REALLY SHOWCASE THE VERY BEGINNINGS AS WELL AS
9 SHOWCASE ALL OF US. I KNOW THAT, FOR ME AND PROBABLY MANY OF
10 YOU, WHEN YOU TRAVEL TO OTHER CITIES, I WAS ALWAYS
11 PARTICULARLY PROUD WHEN I TRAVELED TO NEW YORK OR TO BOSTON OR
12 TO CHICAGO TO TAKE MY DAUGHTER TO THE MUSEUM OF THE BEGINNINGS
13 OF THAT CITY AND THEY ALWAYS HAD HISTORICAL MUSEUMS THAT WE
14 COULD VISIT, AND IT WAS INTERESTING TO LOOK AT HOW A CITY LIKE
15 CHICAGO AND WHAT IT WENT THROUGH, AS WELL AS NEW YORK OR
16 PLACES LIKE BOSTON AND IT'S ALWAYS BEEN FASCINATING. WE DON'T
17 HAVE THAT IN L.A. AND I THINK IT'S LONG OVERDUE, WHICH IS WHY
18 I SAY THAT THIS PROJECT IS WELL OVER 225 YEARS OVERDUE. SO WE
19 HAVE BEEN WORKING ON THIS FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS. I WOULD BE
20 HAPPY TO ANSWER ANY QUESTION THAT YOU MIGHT HAVE. WE HAVE A
21 VERY, VERY UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY IN THAT WE HAVE RECEIVED OVER
22 \$2.5 MILLION FROM CALIFORNIA COMMISSION THAT IT LOOKS FOR
23 OPPORTUNITIES TO FUND THESE TYPES OF PROJECTS. THEY ARE GOING
24 TO BE VISITING US VERY SOON AND WE HOPE TO MAKE AN IMPRESSION
25 ON THEM AND SO I THINK IT'S VERY TIMELY. WE HAVE BEEN WORKING



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1 ON THIS NOW FOR A LONG, LONG TIME AND I THINK WE ARE READY TO
2 MOVE FORWARD. SO I APPRECIATE YOUR CONCERN, I'VE ASKED-- OUR
3 STAFF HAS ASKED YOUR STAFF, YOU KNOW, I WAS AVAILABLE TO TALK
4 TO YOU ABOUT IT AT ANY TIME, SO I'D LIKE US TO MOVE FORWARD
5 AND I'D LIKE TO MOVE THE ITEM.

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WHEN IS THE COMMISSION-- YOUR
8 STAFF HAD TOLD MY STAFF THIS MORNING THAT THE COMMISSION IS
9 COMING NEXT-- IN TWO WEEKS. IS THAT-- AND THAT WAS THE CONCERN
10 THAT YOU HAD ABOUT A TWO-WEEK CONTINUANCE.

11

12 **SUP. MOLINA:** BUT THE THING IS, AGAIN, IT'S ONE OF THE ISSUES
13 BUT WE'RE READY TO GO. THERE'S NOT ANY ISSUE. I MEAN, IF YOU
14 CAN ASK WHATEVER YOUR QUESTION IS, WE'D BE HAPPY TO ANSWER IT.
15 WE HAVE...

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I JUST DON'T, I DON'T DON'T
18 UNDERSTAND WHY-- WHY YOU-- A ONE WEEK CONTINUANCE SO THAT WE
19 CAN READ THE LEASE. WE HAVEN'T READ THE LEASE.

20

21 **SUP. MOLINA:** I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHY YOU CAN'T ASK YOUR
22 QUESTION.

23

24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** BECAUSE I HAVEN'T READ THE LEASE.
25 THAT'S WHY. I MEAN, THIS IS NOT A BIG DEAL. THIS IS DONE ALL



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1 THE TIME. I'M TRYING TO WORK WITH YOU ON YOUR COMMISSION-- ON
2 THE COMMISSION VISIT. I WAS TOLD THAT IT WAS GOING TO BE IN
3 TWO WEEKS, SO GIVE US A WEEK TO LOOK AT THIS THING. WE MAY
4 HAVE NO QUESTIONS. I'M NOT TRYING TO MAKE A PROBLEM HERE BUT I
5 DO LIKE TO BE INFORMED ABOUT WHAT I'M VOTING ON, THAT'S ALL,
6 AND SO DO YOU. I MEAN, YOU WOULD-- YOU DO THIS IN YOUR DUE
7 DILIGENCE ALL THE TIME.

8

9 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND YOU CRITICIZED US ABOUT CONTINUING ITEMS.
10 THIS ITEM HAS BEEN HERE BEFORE. AGAIN, ZEV, I WANT TO BE AS
11 RESPECTFUL AS POSSIBLE AND THAT'S WHY WE'VE BEEN ASKING THE
12 QUESTIONS OF YOUR STAFF. THIS MORNING WE HEARD THAT...

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** GLORIA, YOUR STAFF TALKED TO MY
15 STAFF THIS MORNING.

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND YOU HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO CALL ME, SIR. I
18 DON'T WANT TO ARGUE ABOUT IT.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. I DON'T THINK IT'S USEFUL TO
21 ARGUE ABOUT IT, EITHER.

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA:** I'D LIKE TO MOVE FORWARD ON IT SO HOPEFULLY OUR
24 BOARD CAN SUPPORT THAT.

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1 **SUP. BURKE:** MR. CHAIRMAN, IS THE LEASE AVAILABLE TODAY?

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3 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IT'S HERE.

4

5 **SUP. BURKE:** IF...

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7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IT WAS NOT ONLINE WHEN THE ITEM
8 WAS AGENDAIZED. THAT WAS ONE OF THE PROBLEMS. IT'S NOT YOUR
9 FAULT BUT IT WASN'T ONLINE. WE HAD TO SCURRY AROUND TO GET IT.

10

11 **SUP. BURKE:** WOULD YOU HAVE A CHANCE TO READ IT IF WE PUT THIS
12 TO THE END...

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA:** IF YOU HAD CALLED MY OFFICE, I WOULD HAVE BEEN
15 MORE THAN HAPPY TO GET IT TO YOU.

16

17 **SUP. BURKE:** PUT IT OVER TO THE END OF THE DAY, WOULD YOU HAVE
18 A CHANCE TO READ IT?

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THE END OF THE DAY IS ALMOST UPON
21 US. WHY DON'T WE HOLD THIS ON THE DESK AND LET'S GO TO THE
22 OTHER ITEM, ITEM 17. IS IT 17, THE REMAINING ITEM?

23

24 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** CORRECT. WE HAVE 17 AND CS-1 ALSO.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AND 68 ALSO?

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3 **SUP. BURKE:** AND 1-H.

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5 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 68, THE SET MATTER AND 1-H.

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7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. LET'S GO TO 17.

8

9 **SUP. MOLINA:** WHICH ITEM?

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11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** 17. HANG ON A SECOND. IS 1-H GOING
12 TO BE A LONG ITEM? THE PUBLIC HEARING?

13

14 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 1-H IS A HEARING FROM THE HOUSING
15 AUTHORITY.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. LET'S TAKE 1-H AND
18 WE'LL DISPENSE OF THE-- WE HAVE TWO PEOPLE WHO HAVE COME-- WHO
19 WANT TO BE HEARD ON THIS. ARNIE CORLIN AND RUTH SCHWARTZ.

20

21 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** BEFORE WE START WITH THE HEARING, ON THIS
22 ITEM AND ALSO ON THE PUBLIC-- NO, WE AREN'T DOING THE PUBLIC
23 HEARING. EXCUSE ME. ON THIS ITEM, IF I COULD HAVE THOSE WHO
24 PLAN TO TESTIFY BEFORE THE BOARD, PLEASE STAND AND RAISE YOUR
25 RIGHT HAND TO BE SWORN IN. IN THE TESTIMONY YOU MAY GIVE



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1 BEFORE THIS BOARD, DO YOU SOLEMNLY AFFIRM TO TELL THE TRUTH,
2 THE WHOLE TRUTH AND NOTHING BUT THE TRUTH SO HELP YOU GOD?

3

4 **SPEAKER:** I DO.

5

6 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THANK YOU.

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. MR. CORLIN?

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10 **ARNIE CORLIN:** YES, GOOD MORNING, COMMISSIONERS. MY NAME IS
11 ARNIE CORLIN. I'M THE VICE PRESIDENT WITH THE APARTMENT
12 ASSOCIATION OF GREATER LOS ANGELES. OUR ORGANIZATION CONSISTS
13 OF ABOUT 25,000 RENTAL PROPERTY OWNERS AND MANAGERS
14 COLLECTIVELY AROUND THE GREATER LOS ANGELES AREA. ABOUT THREE
15 YEARS AGO, WE FORMED A SECTION 8 WORKING GROUP TO DEAL WITH
16 THE PROBLEMS THAT MANY OF THE OWNERS' FINANCIAL HARDSHIPS AND
17 OTHER HARDSHIPS CAUSED BY THE HOUSING AUTHORITY'S CITY OF LOS
18 ANGELES, AND I'M NOW CURRENTLY THE CHAIR OF THAT WORKING GROUP
19 AND WHAT I BELIEVE HAS HAPPENED HAS BEEN KIND OF A BACKLASH
20 WHICH IS PROBABLY WHY YOU'VE GOTTEN SOME OF YOUR UNDER LEASING
21 PROBLEMS. IT'S IMPORTANT TO NOTE THE DATE AND THAT IS THAT, IN
22 THE PAST THREE YEARS, SINCE I'VE BEEN INVOLVED IN THE GROUP, I
23 HAVE PERSONALLY FIELDDED OVER 1,200 COMPLAINTS REGARDING
24 HOUSING AUTHORITY, CITY OF LOS ANGELES. I HAVE RECEIVED LESS
25 THAN 10 COMPLAINTS, ALL THE OTHER HOUSING AUTHORITIES



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1 COMBINED, INCLUDING HA-COLA. IN THE LAST YEAR, I'VE ONLY HAD
2 ONE COMPLAINT. AND SO WHAT I WILL DO IS I'VE TALKED TO THE
3 STAFF HERE, IS I WILL WORK WITH OUR ORGANIZATION TO CREATE
4 SOME OUTREACH, BOTH BY OUR WEBSITE BY THE ARTICLES THAT I
5 WRITE, TO ADDRESS THE UNDER-LEASING ISSUE. ADDITIONALLY, I'LL
6 OFFER THE SAME RESOURCES THAT HAVE BEEN OFFERED TO HA-CLA YOUR
7 HOUSING AUTHORITY AS WELL, TO HELP ADDRESS SOME OF THE OTHER
8 ISSUES, INCLUDING SOME OF THE CREDIT COUNSELING TO MAKE
9 CERTAIN THAT THE TENANTS ARE COMING TO THE OWNERS WITH THE
10 PROPER MEANS TO HELP THEM GET THE RENTALS AS WELL. THANK YOU.

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MISS SCHWARTZ?

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14 **RUTH SCHWARTZ:** YEAH. GOOD MORNING, BOARD MEMBER, SUPERVISOR
15 YAROSLAVSKY AND REMAINING BOARD MEMBERS. MY NAME IS RUTH
16 SCHWARTZ, I'M THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF SHELTER PARTNERSHIP
17 AND I WANTED TO SPEAK BRIEFLY TODAY ABOUT THE WORK OF THE
18 COUNTY'S COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION. WE'VE BEEN WORKING
19 WITH THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION FOR MORE THAN 20
20 YEARS AND WE FIND OUR WORKING RELATIONSHIP EXCELLENT. WE WANT
21 TO COMPLIMENT THE DEPARTMENT FOR THEIR INDUSTRY PROGRAM, WHICH
22 HAS BROUGHT THOUSANDS OF NEW UNITS OF SPECIAL NEEDS HOUSING ON
23 BOARD AND THEIR WORK ON THE SPECIAL NEEDS HOUSING PROGRAM,
24 WHICH YOUR BOARD ADOPTED THE PLAN FOR ABOUT A YEAR AGO, WHICH
25 HAS GOTTEN REALLY ALL THE DEPARTMENTS, WHETHER IT'S D.C.F.S.



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1 OR D.M.H. OR OTHERS, TO WORK TOGETHER TO REALLY START TO
2 ADDRESS THE NEEDS OF PEOPLE WHO ARE EXPERIENCING HOUSING
3 EMERGENCIES AND HAS REALLY DEVELOPED A GOOD WORKING
4 RELATIONSHIP AND I THINK THE COUNTY IS ON THE RIGHT TRACK TO
5 DO THAT. I ALSO WANT TO SPEAK TO THE SHELTER PLUS CARE
6 PROGRAM. UNLIKE THE CITY'S, WHICH WAS DE-FUNDED THIS YEAR, AS
7 YOU MIGHT RECALL IN THE CONTINUUM OF CARE, BECAUSE THEY DIDN'T
8 FEEL -- THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT DIDN'T
9 FEEL THAT THERE WAS A CAPACITY TO ADMINISTER PROGRAMS THERE
10 AND THE REGION LOST OUT ON ABOUT 8 MILLION PLUS DOLLARS
11 BECAUSE OF THAT. THE COUNTY'S SHELTER PLUS CARE PROGRAM WAS
12 FUNDED AND I THINK THAT THE DIRECTOR AND THE MANAGEMENT TEAM
13 IS LOOKING AT THAT PROGRAM BECAUSE IT DOES HAVE PROBLEMS AND
14 IT'S TRYING TO ADDRESS THOSE PROBLEMS SO THE SAME THING
15 HAPPENED TO HACLA DOESN'T HAPPEN TO HACOLA AND THEY'VE BEEN
16 DOING THAT BEFORE THIS DECISION CAME DOWN FROM H.U.D. AND THEN
17 I WANT TO SPEAK BRIEFLY TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE PLAN. I THINK
18 THE WORK ON DOMESTIC VIOLENCE IS EXCELLENT AND THE PLAN MAKES
19 A LOT OF SENSE. I'M PARTICULARLY HAPPY WITH THE FACT THAT THE
20 HOUSING AUTHORITY IS WILLING TO DO SOME PROJECT BASING OF
21 VOUCHERS, WHICH WILL MAKE IT EASIER AND BETTER TO BE ABLE TO
22 ACTUALLY DEVELOP THE SPECIAL NEEDS HOUSING BECAUSE, AS YOU
23 KNOW, FELLOW RESOURCES FOR OPERATING SUBSIDIES ARE GETTING
24 HARDER AND HARDER TO GET AND THEY NEED TO BE, IF WE'RE GOING
25 TO DO IT, IF WE'RE GOING TO REALLY DO THESE SPECIAL NEEDS



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1 PROGRAMS FOR DISABLED AND HOMELESS PEOPLE, WE'RE GOING TO NEED
2 THOSE OPERATING SUBSIDIES. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR
3 CONSIDERATION OF TODAY'S PLAN.

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NOBODY ELSE WANTED TO
6 BE HEARD. THE PUBLIC HEARING IS CLOSED. MS. BURKE?

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8 **SUP. BURKE:** I HAVE AN AMENDMENT.

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10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MS. BURKE.

11

12 **SUP. BURKE:** PASSING IT OUT. BASICALLY, ALL THE AMENDMENT DOES
13 IS TO INSTRUCT THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF HOUSING AUTHORITY TO
14 WITHDRAW THE PROPOSED CHANGE TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE PLAN TO
15 ALLOW APPLICANTS ON PAROLE OR PROBATION ADMISSION TO THE
16 SECTION 8 PROGRAM AND TO APPROVE AND INSTRUCT THE EXECUTIVE
17 DIRECTOR TO MODIFY THE INSPECTIONS POLICY TO EXPAND THE TYPE
18 OF INSPECTIONS PERFORMED TO INCLUDE COMPLIANCE CHECKS AND,
19 THREE, APPROVE AND INSTRUCT THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO
20 ESTABLISH GUIDELINES IN ACCORDANCE WITH 24 C.F.R. 982.555 TO
21 FURTHER DEFINE THE RULES OF EVIDENCE FOR AN INFORMAL HEARING
22 AND THE ROLE OF THE HEARING OFFICER.

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24 **SUP. MOLINA:** SECOND.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SECONDED.

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3 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND I HAVE A MOTION AS WELL.

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5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MS. MOLINA.

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7 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND BASICALLY IT'S-- AND I THINK THEY CAN PASS IT
8 OUT. THAT, IN THE REPORT BACK, THE DIRECTOR OF HOUSING
9 REQUESTED \$300,000 TO SUPPORT THE ONE-YEAR CONTRACT WITH A
10 HOUSING LOCATOR AGENCY TO ASSIST SECTION 8 VOUCHER HOLDERS IN
11 SECURING PERMANENT, AFFORDABLE HOUSING. THIS IS AN IMPORTANT
12 AND NECESSARY STEP TO FULLY MAXIMIZE OUR SECTION 8 VOUCHERS
13 AND IMPROVE THE OVERALL LEASE UP RATE. THIS ALSO COMES AT A
14 TIME WHEN VOUCHER UTILIZATION IS BEING TIED TO A NEW FUNDING
15 FORMULA AS ADOPTED BY CONGRESS. THIS FUNDING FORMULA IS LIKELY
16 TO BE THE STANDARD IN FUTURE YEARS, BASED ON NEW LEGISLATION
17 THAT CONGRESSWOMAN MAXINE WATERS HAS INTRODUCED AND IT IS IN
18 THE COUNTY'S BEST INTEREST TO BEGIN EFFORTS NOW TO MAXIMIZE
19 OUR FUNDING POTENTIAL UNDER THIS NEW FORMULA. WE THEREFORE
20 MOVE THAT THE DIRECTOR OF HOUSING AUTHORITY REPORT BACK WITHIN
21 TWO WEEKS WITH A FUNDING PLAN THAT OUTLINES FUNDING SOURCES
22 THAT DO NOT IMPACT EXISTING SERVICES FROM WITHIN THE HOUSING
23 AUTHORITY'S BUDGET FOR THE 300,000 NEEDED TO CONTRACT WITH THE
24 HOUSING LOCATOR AGENCY. WE FURTHER MOVE THAT THE DIRECTOR OF
25 HOUSING AUTHORITY REPORT BACK WITH AN IMPLEMENTATION PLAN FOR



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1 THE HOUSING LOCATORS THAT OUTLINES OUTCOME MEASURES, HOW THESE
2 EFFORTS AFFECT OUR WAITING LIST AND HOW THIS WILL IMPACT THE
3 STATUS OF OUR VOUCHER UTILIZATION AND THEREFORE OUR FUNDING
4 LEVELS FOR THE FOLLOWING YEAR. THAT IS MY MOTION.

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IS THERE A SECOND TO THE MOTION?

7

8 **SUP. BURKE:** SECOND.

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10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** BURKE SECONDS.

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12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** COULD WE HAVE CARLOS JACKSON?

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14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MR. ANTONOVICH?

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16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YEAH, I'D LIKE TO ASK CARLOS.

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18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** CARLOS JACKSON. HERE HE COMES.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO THE-- HOW ARE WE ABLE TO GET YOU TO
21 ENHANCE YOUR INSPECTIONS?

22

23 **CARLOS JACKSON:** I'M SORRY, SUPERVISOR.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** HOW ARE WE ABLE TO HAVE YOU ENHANCE YOUR
2 INSPECTIONS OF SECTION 8 HOUSING?

3

4 **CARLOS JACKSON:** ONE OF THE ASPECTS THAT I THINK IS REAL
5 IMPORTANT, SUPERVISOR, IS THAT THE INSPECTORS, IN TERMS OF OUR
6 AGENCY ACTIVITIES, ARE PROBABLY THE ONLY ONE WHO DO THIS AT
7 THE HOUSE-- THE LIVING SITUATION AND WE HAVE DEVELOPING A
8 FORMAL _____ PROGRAM FOR THE INSPECTORS, BOTH TO
9 ENHANCE THEIR INSPECTION ACTIVITIES BUT AS WELL TO BE
10 OBSERVANT FOR OTHER RELATED MATTERS THAT MIGHT BE OCCURRING IN
11 THE UNIT AND TO REPORT IT BACK TO THE APPROPRIATE INDIVIDUALS.
12 THAT'S REALLY THE THRUST OF THAT.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT THE AMENDMENT BY SUPERVISOR BURKE ASKING
15 YOU TO MODIFY THE INSPECTION POLICY TO EXPAND THE TYPE OF
16 INSPECTIONS, WOULD THAT ENHANCE THE NUMBER OF INSPECTIONS OR
17 DECREASE THE NUMBER OF INSPECTIONS?

18

19 **CARLOS JACKSON:** WELL, THE PARTICULAR FOCUS OF THAT PARTICULAR
20 AMENDMENT IS TO SEPARATE WHAT WE CALL HOUSING QUALITY STANDARD
21 INSPECTIONS FROM COMPLIANCE INSPECTIONS. THE COMPLIANCE
22 INSPECTION WILL ALLOW US TO DO OTHER THINGS THAN JUST DOING AN
23 INSPECTION OF THE UNIT AND TO SEPARATE THOSE TWO AND SO THAT
24 THERE IS AN UNDERSTANDING AMONG THE LEGAL COMMUNITY AS WELL,
25 AMONG OUR ADMINISTRATORS, THAT WE'RE DOING COMPLIANCE REVIEW,



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1 NOT AN INSPECTION. COMBINE THOSE TWO TOGETHER REALLY ENHANCES
2 OUR OVERALL INSPECTION ACTIVITY.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IT WOULD BE HELPFUL IF YOU HAD PEACE OFFICERS
5 DO THE INVESTIGATIONS FOR INSPECTIONS DUE TO A COMPLAINT?

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7 **CARLOS JACKSON:** THAT HAS BEEN A MATTER OF IMPORTANCE TO US. WE
8 HAVE SURFACED THAT NUMEROUS TIMES. IT HAS BEEN UNDER REVIEW
9 AND WE HAVE NOT BEEN ABLE TO REACH A CONCLUSION ON THAT. BUT,
10 IN TALKING TO MY INVESTIGATORS FOR THE COMPLIANCE PART OF IT,
11 THEY FEEL THAT THAT WOULD BE A MATTER THAT WOULD EXPEDITE OUR
12 ABILITY TO COMPLETE AND FINALIZE THE INVESTIGATIONS. SO, YES,
13 IN THE SHORT TERM.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO THE-- FROM OUR RECENT EXPERIENCES, WHICH
16 YOU'RE AWARE OF, THERE APPEARS NOT TO BE THE TYPE OF
17 INSPECTIONS-- ONGOING INSPECTIONS BEING DONE. I KNOW THERE'S
18 ONE CASE WHERE THERE'S AN INDICTMENT COMING DOWN AND IT'S
19 BEING FILED THAT YOU'RE AWARE OF. THAT INSPECTION, FOR THE
20 AMOUNT OF-- WHAT'S BEING INVOLVED THERE, COULD HAVE DISCOVERED
21 THAT CRIMINAL ACTIVITY A LONG TIME AGO. SO I BELIEVE YOU NEED
22 TO ENHANCE YOUR INSPECTION PROCESS.

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24 **CARLOS JACKSON:** WELL, SUPERVISOR, WHAT WE'RE TRYING TO DO IS
25 SEPARATE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF WHAT, YOU KNOW, AND,



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1 TRADITIONALLY, IT'S WHAT WE CALL A BUILDING INSPECTION, A
2 PERSON GO IN TO VERIFY THAT THE BUILDING CODES ARE INTACT, NO
3 WINDOWS ARE BROKEN, ET CETERA. FROM A COMPLIANCE INSPECTION OR
4 INVESTIGATION WHERE THE SITUATION THAT YOU'RE MAKING A
5 REFERENCE TO, THAT'S WHERE THE -- THAT TYPE OF ACTIVITY WILL
6 BE UNCOVERED. THE OTHER INSPECTORS ARE MORE ON THE APPEARANCE--
7 - NOT THE APPEARANCE OF THE PROPERTY BUT THE CONDITION OF THE
8 PROPERTY. AND NOT TO ENCUMBER THEM WITH THAT PARTICULARLY BUT
9 TO ENLARGE THE OTHER ACTIVITY, WHICH IS THE INTENDED PURPOSE,
10 THE COMPLIANCE, WHERE IT REQUIRES MORE IN-DEPTH INVESTIGATION,
11 YOU KNOW, FURTHER DOCUMENTS, YOU KNOW, REVIEW FURTHER FILES.
12 THE INSPECTORS I NEED IN TERMS BE ABLE TO MEET H.U.D.'S
13 REQUIREMENTAL QUALITY STANDARDS INSPECTION AND NOT TO--
14 BECAUSE THEY BASICALLY ARE GIVEN AN ASSIGNMENT TO GO LOOK AT A
15 UNIT AND DETERMINE ITS CONDITION, DOES IT PASS?

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YOU CAN HAVE A-- I BELIEVE IT WAS IN THE
18 SANTA CLARITA VALLEY WHERE YOU HAD A BUILDING THAT WAS-- I
19 SHOULD SAY THE CONSTRUCTION WAS GOOD BUT THE INTERIOR OF THE
20 BUILDING WHERE THE FAMILY WAS LIVING AND WHAT WAS GOING ON IN
21 THAT AREA WAS, YOU KNOW, FROM THE ABUSE OF THE CHILDREN TO THE
22 CRIMINAL ACTIVITIES THAT WERE TAKING PLACE, I THINK IT WAS
23 FOUR OR FIVE CHILDREN THAT WERE BEING SUBJECTED TO THIS. SO IF
24 THE PERSON INSPECTED THE BUILDING, THE BUILDING'S IN GOOD
25 SHAPE IN THE EXTERIOR BUT THE INTERIOR, IT'S HELL.



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2 **CARLOS JACKSON:** IN THAT PARTICULAR CASE, WHEN I LOOKED AT THE
3 PARTICULAR FILE, AT THE TIME OF THE INSPECTION, THOSE
4 CONDITIONS DID NOT EXIST. AND THIS IS ONE OF THE ISSUES THAT
5 WE ARE CONSTANTLY CONFRONTED WITH IS THAT, WHEN WE DO OUR
6 INSPECTION AND THEY PASS, BETWEEN ANNUAL INSPECTIONS, CERTAIN
7 THINGS COULD OCCUR BY-- YOU KNOW, THE RESIDENTS COULD, YOU
8 KNOW, BE COMMITTING CERTAIN THINGS THAT WE ARE NOT AWARE OF
9 BECAUSE, AT THE TIME THAT WE DID OUR ANNUAL INSPECTION, IT DID
10 PASS AND THOSE CONDITIONS WERE NOT NOTED. SUPERVISOR, IF I
11 REMIND YOU THAT WE DO AN INSPECTION-- WE DO AN INSPECTION
12 EVERY 12 MONTHS AND DIFFERENT THINGS OCCUR BETWEEN THOSE--
13 THAT PERIOD OF TIME.

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15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU.

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17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MR. KNABE.

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19 **SUP. KNABE:** YEAH, I MEAN, I THINK IT'S NOT SO MUCH WHO DOES
20 THE INSPECTIONS. THE FACT IS, OUR ISSUES ARE THE FACT THE
21 INSPECTIONS HAVEN'T BEEN DONE, IS THAT CORRECT? I MEAN, WHEN
22 ARE WITH GOING TO KNOW OUR PROBLEMS WITH THE FEDS OR HOW MUCH
23 MONEY WE MAY OWE THEM?

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1 **CARLOS JACKSON:** OUR INSPECTIONS AT THE TIME THAT WE GOT
2 EVALUATED, WE WERE SIGNIFICANTLY DELINQUENT IN INSPECTIONS,
3 34%, IN DOING OUR ANNUAL INSPECTIONS. AS I INDICATED IN MY
4 REPORT TO YOU, WE'RE AT 8% NOW, WHICH IS WITHIN THE H.U.D.'S
5 ACCEPTABLE LEVEL. YOU CAN GO DOWN TO-- A HIGH PERFORMER WILL
6 GET A 95%. AND WE BELIEVE WE'LL HIT 95 ON THAT. I HAVE SHARED
7 WITH EACH OF YOUR OFFICES ABOUT THE INSPECTOR GENERAL REPORT
8 ON THE INSPECTIONS, AND INDICATED THAT WE HAVE PUT IN PLACE
9 POLICIES AND PROCEDURES AS WELL, WE'RE GOING TO COMPLETE THE
10 TRAINING, SO THAT OCCURRENCE WOULD NOT HAPPEN AGAIN. AND,
11 BASED ON EVERYTHING THAT IS COMING IN IN TERMS OF THE
12 PRODUCTION AND ALL THAT, I FEEL VERY CONFIDENT THAT WE WILL
13 NOT GET INTO THAT SITUATION AGAIN.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE:** BUT I GUESS MY CONCERN IS THAT THE GUIDELINES ARE
16 VERY CLEAR IN HOW WE GOT OURSELVES INTO THAT SITUATION IN THE
17 FIRST PLACE. I MEAN, THIS IS NOT SOMETHING NEW, THIS IS NOT
18 NEW GUIDELINES, THERE HAVE NOT BEEN SIGNIFICANT CHANGES OVER
19 THE YEAR. THIS REALLY, YOU KNOW, WAS NONPERFORMANCE AND THAT'S
20 THE HARDEST THING FOR ME TO UNDERSTAND AND, YOU KNOW, THE
21 POTENTIAL PAINFUL OUTCOME OF THIS COULD HAVE DRAMATIC IMPACTS
22 ON EVERYBODY'S BUDGET.

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24 **CARLOS JACKSON:** WELL, YOU KNOW, I...

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1 **SUP. KNABE:** I MEAN, I APPRECIATE THE FACT YOU'RE SAYING THESE
2 ARE IN PLACE NOW BUT WHY WEREN'T THEY IN PLACE BEFORE?

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4 **CARLOS JACKSON:** THERE WERE THINGS THAT WERE-- I ACCEPT
5 RESPONSIBILITY FOR WHAT OCCURRED. LET ME JUST PREFACE MY
6 REMARKS THAT WAY. BUT, ALSO, WE HAD CONFIDENCE IN CERTAIN
7 PEOPLE, A CERTAIN MANAGEMENT TEAM TO ENSURE THAT WE WERE
8 MEETING WHATEVER, YOU KNOW, THE REQUIREMENTS ARE. THE
9 PROCEDURES-- MOST OF THE PROCEDURES WERE IN PLACE. HOW IT WAS
10 MANAGED WAS A VERY DIFFERENT MATTER AND I HAD TO ADDRESS THAT,
11 BY THE FACT THAT WE COULD TWEAK AND REVISE THE PROCEDURES SO
12 THAT ALL INSPECTIONS TODAY ARE COMPLETED TWO MONTHS IN
13 ADVANCE. SO YOU-- THERE'S NO MARGIN OF ERROR IN THERE. THERE'S
14 SOMETHING THAT OCCURRED, WE HAVE THE FLEXIBILITY IN THERE TO
15 CORRECT THOSE. WHAT TOOK PLACE IS VERY HARD TO -- THE
16 ATTENTION THAT SHOULD HAVE BEEN GIVEN WASN'T THERE.

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18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ANY OTHER DISCUSSION? MR.
19 ANTONOVICH.

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21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ALSO ASK-- JUST ASK ALSO ASK THE C.A.O. TO
22 REPORT BACK ABOUT PERHAPS ADDING INVESTIGATORS TO THE
23 DEPARTMENT.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. WE HAVE THE ITEM BEFORE
2 US.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IS THAT OKAY, MR...

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6 **SUP. KNABE:** YEAH, I MEAN, AGAIN, I DON'T HAVE A PROBLEM
7 LOOKING AT ADDING INVESTIGATORS BUT THE ISSUE HERE WAS NOT HOW
8 MANY WE HAD OR WHO THEY WERE OR WHETHER THEY WERE POLICE OR
9 NON POLICE. IT WAS ABSOLUTELY WE WEREN'T DOING OUR JOB. SO, I
10 MEAN, I DON'T HAVE A PROBLEM LOOKING AT IT BUT I DON'T THINK
11 THAT THAT'S GOING TO BE THE ULTIMATE ANSWER.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** RIGHT, BUT HAVING THE C.A.O. REPORT BACK ON
14 THAT.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IS THERE ANY OBJECTION? THE ITEM
17 IS AMENDED. BURKE MOVES, ANTONOVICH SECONDS. UNANIMOUS VOTE.
18 ALL RIGHT. ITEM 17.

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20 **PATRICIA PLOEHN:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. TRISH PLOEHN.

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22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** GOOD MORNING. MS. MOLINA, MR.
23 KNABE HELD THIS ITEM.

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1 **SUP. MOLINA:** MS. PLOEHN, WE CERTAINLY HAVE, YOU KNOW THE
2 QUESTIONS AND THE CONCERNS THAT WE HAVE HERE. THIS KEEPS
3 GETTING CONTINUED, IT IS GETTING MONOTONOUS. WE ARE LOSING
4 MONEY EVERY SINGLE DAY FOR SOMETHING WE SHOULD BE DOING FROM
5 DAY ONE. I NEED ASSURANCES FROM YOU THAT THIS IS GOING TO GET
6 DONE. WE'RE TIRED, I'M VERY TIRED OF CONTINUING IT.

7

8 **TRISH PLOEHN:** CERTAINLY AND I UNDERSTAND THAT. THE REASON THAT
9 I'VE CONTINUED IT FOR THESE TWO WEEKS IS BECAUSE IS INDEED A
10 VERY MASSIVE AND INTENSIVE UNDERTAKING. THIS IS A PROBLEM THAT
11 HAS BEEN A LONGSTANDING PROBLEM, IT HAS COVERED THE LAST 29
12 MONTHS. IT BEGAN IN OCTOBER OF 2004, AND THERE HAVE BEEN A
13 NUMBER OF ATTEMPTS AT CLEANUP OVER THAT TWO-YEAR PERIOD, 2-
14 1/2-YEAR PERIOD, AND IT WAS MY DETERMINATION, WHEN I CAME ON
15 BOARD IN SEPTEMBER, THAT THIS WAS GOING TO GET CLEANED UP ONCE
16 AND FOR ALL. THE OTHER ACTIVITIES THAT WE HAD ATTEMPTED WERE
17 BAND-AID ACTIVITIES AND WE WOULD CLEAN UP A NUMBER OF BACKLOGS
18 AND, WITHIN MONTHS, WE WOULD BE RIGHT BACK WHERE WE STARTED.
19 SO IT WAS MY DECISION THAT WE NEEDED TO GO AND LOOK AT ALL
20 CHILDREN THAT WERE IN RELATIVE CARE. THERE ARE APPROXIMATELY
21 10,868 CHILDREN IN RELATIVE CARE TODAY AND, UNTIL WE LOOKED AT
22 EVERY SINGLE ONE OF THEM AND DETERMINED WHETHER OR NOT THEY
23 WERE IN COMPLIANCE, WHETHER WE WERE FEDERALLY CLAIMING
24 APPROPRIATELY AND WE HAD A SYSTEM SET UP SO THAT WE WOULD KNOW
25 WHEN THOSE REASSESSMENTS WERE GOING TO BE DUE, WE WERE NOT



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1 GOING TO RESOLVE THIS PROBLEM. SO, BACK IN OCTOBER, WE BEGAN
2 THAT ACTIVITY. AT THAT POINT IN TIME, WE WERE SPENDING OVER A
3 MILLION DOLLARS A MONTH IN RELATIVE ASSESSMENT PAYMENTS TO THE
4 COUNTY. OVER THE SIX MONTHS, WE'VE REDUCED THAT NUMBER. THERE
5 WAS 2,018 CHILDREN AT THAT POINT IN TIME. WE HAVE REASSESSED
6 OVER 17,000 OF THEM AND BROUGHT THAT AMOUNT OF MONEY DOWN THAT
7 WE ARE PAYING AT THIS POINT IN TIME TO UNDER 550,000, WHICH IS
8 ALMOST A 50% REDUCTION IN SIX MONTHS. WE DO HAVE A PLAN TO
9 ADDRESS THE REMAINING NUMBER OF CHILDREN AND THAT PLAN WILL
10 COME TO YOU IN THE TWO-WEEK PERIOD. I DIDN'T WANT TO BRING...

11

12 **SUP. MOLINA:** BUT, AGAIN, WHY CAN'T IT COME TO US NOW? I MEAN,
13 IT'S THE SAME ISSUE OVER AND OVER, TRISH. I MEAN, SO, IN TWO
14 WEEKS, AM I GOING TO-- ARE YOU GOING TO COME IN AND ASK FOR
15 ANOTHER TWO WEEKS CONTINUANCE?

16

17 **TRISH PLOEHN:** NO. WHAT THE PROBLEM WAS AND THE REASON I
18 COULDN'T BRING IT BACK TO YOU BEFORE THIS-- I COULD GIVE YOU A
19 PLAN, A GREAT...

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21 **SUP. MOLINA:** I NEED A PLAN THAT'S GOING TO FIX IT. I NEED A
22 PLAN THAT'S GOING TO WORK. I NEED A PLAN THAT'S GOING TO
23 ASSESS CHILDREN, MORE IMPORTANTLY, THAT'S GOING TO CONVINCE
24 THE STATE THAT WE'RE DOING IT WELL SO THEY WILL RELEASE THE
25 MONEY THAT IS OWED US FOR THIS WORK.



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TRISH PLOEHN: RIGHT. PART OF THE PROBLEM WAS WE DID NOT HAVE A WAY TO TRACK THESE CHILDREN. WE HAD A COMPUTER SYSTEM THAT WE WERE UTILIZING THAT BASICALLY GAVE US INFORMATION THAT WAS TWO MONTHS IN ARREARS AND WE HAD HAND TRACKING BEING DONE. SO, BACK IN OCTOBER, WHEN WE STARTED THIS WHOLE EFFORT, IT WAS CLEAR THAT, IF WE WERE GOING TO LOOK AT ALL 10,000 PLUS CHILDREN AND KEEP UP WITH IT, WE NEEDED A COMPUTER SYSTEM THAT WOULD ALLOW US TO DO THAT. WE DID NOT HAVE THAT. WE ORDERED THAT TO BE CREATED AND, LAST WEEK, I GOT THE FIRST REPORT OFF OF THAT COMPUTER SYSTEM. IT WAS CREATED BY OUR OWN INTERNAL I.T. SYSTEM AND WE NOW ARE ABLE TO LOOK AT EVERY ONE OF THOSE 10,868 CHILDREN...

14

SUP. MOLINA: SO WHY DO WE NEED TWO WEEKS.

16

TRISH PLOEHN: EXACTLY. BECAUSE I WANT TO BE ABLE TO LOOK AT EVERY SINGLE ONE OF THEM AND COME BACK TO YOU WITH COMPLETE CONFIDENCE AND TELL YOU, "I KNOW WHERE EVERY SINGLE ONE OF THOSE CHILDREN ARE, WHEN THEIR ASSESSMENTS ARE DUE," AND I CAN TELL YOU THAT THEY WILL INDEED BE DONE ON TIME. HOW MANY ARE GOING TO BE DONE EACH MONTH, WHEN WE ARE GOING TO BE COMPLETELY CAUGHT UP.

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1 **SUP. MOLINA:** I APPRECIATE IT BECAUSE I THINK IT IS A BACKLOG
2 THAT WE NEED TO ADDRESS. THIS IS SOMETHING WE NEED TO DO NOT
3 JUST BECAUSE THE STATE FORCES US OR BECAUSE WE'RE BEING DENIED
4 MONEY BECAUSE WE DON'T DO IT BUT IT'S SOMETHING WE NEED TO DO.
5 SO I JUST WANT TO HAVE YOUR ASSURANCES THAT, IN TWO WEEKS, AND
6 WHATEVER IT'S GOING TO TAKE TO GET IT DELIVERED TO US IN TWO
7 WEEKS, YOU WILL DO, WHETHER IT'S YOUR LEADERSHIP, WHENEVER YOU
8 NEED TO DO TO ASSIGN THE RIGHT PEOPLE TO THIS. WE CAN'T
9 CONTINUE TO CONTINUE THIS ANY FURTHER. SO, IF YOU CAN GIVE ME
10 THOSE ASSURANCES, I WOULD BE MORE THAN SATISFIED.

11

12 **TRISH PLOEHN:** WITHOUT A DOUBT, IT WILL BE HERE.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE:** MR. CHAIRMAN? TRISH, ARE WE GOING TO BE ABLE TO
15 RECOUP ANY OF THAT MONEY, DO YOU THINK?

16

17 **TRISH PLOEHN:** PROBABLY NOT. IF SO, VERY LITTLE. WE ARE ALLOWED
18 TO GO BACK 18 MONTHS AND RECOUP ANYTHING THAT WE HAD CLAIMED
19 INAPPROPRIATELY BUT THAT MEANS THAT THE ASSESSMENT WOULD HAVE
20 HAD TO HAVE BEEN DONE AND WE SIMPLY FAILED TO CLAIM THE
21 FEDERAL DRAW. AND, IN MOST CASES, THAT'S NOT THE SITUATION. IF
22 THERE IS SITUATIONS LIKE THAT, YES, WE DO GO BACK AND CLAIM
23 THAT.

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1 **SUP. KNABE:** BUT, I MEAN, YOU'RE CREATING THIS NEW DATABASE OR
2 THIS NEW COMPUTER PROGRAM. I MEAN, WOULDN'T THAT MAKE THAT
3 KIND OF INFORMATION ACCESSIBLE TO YOU? TO BE ABLE TO GO BACK
4 THE 18 MONTHS? NO?

5

6 **TRISH PLOEHN:** YES, IT WOULD AND WE CAN KNOW EXACTLY BUT, IN
7 ORDER TO ABLE TO GO BACK AND CLAIM TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT,
8 WE WOULD HAVE TO SAY THE ASSESSMENT HAD BEEN COMPLETED FIVE
9 MONTHS AGO, EIGHT MONTHS AGO. IT WILL TAKE CARE OF THE PROBLEM
10 FROM HERE ON OUT BECAUSE WE WON'T BE HAVING THIS PROBLEM IN
11 THE FUTURE BUT WE CAN'T GO BACK AND CLAIM SOMETHING THAT WE
12 DID NOT DO TIMELY BACK IN THE PAST.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE:** I'LL ASK YOU OR THE AUDITOR CONTROLLER COULD
15 ANSWER, AS WELL, TOO, BUT THE RESULTS OF THE PROPERTY
16 ANALYSIS, IS THAT GOING TO BE FACTORED BACK INTO THE REPORT
17 THAT WE GET IN A COUPLE WEEKS?

18

19 **PATRICIA PLOEHN:** YES, I CAN GIVE YOU AN UPDATE ON WHERE WE ARE
20 AT THAT POINT IN TIME. I UNDERSTAND THAT THEY PLAN TO COMPLETE
21 THAT ANALYSIS BY THE END OF THIS MONTH.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE:** OKAY.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ANY OTHER QUESTIONS? IF NOT, ITEM
2 17 WILL BE CONTINUED FOR TWO WEEKS.

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4 **PATRICIA PLOEHN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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6 **SUP. KNABE:** I NEED A CLARIFICATION. YES, MR. CHAIRMAN?

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8 **SUP. KNABE:** YOU INDICATED ON THE PROPERTY ANALYSIS THAT IT
9 WOULD BE COMING BACK AT THE END OF THE MONTH?

10

11 **PATRICIA PLOEHN:** CORRECT, THAT'S WHAT I UNDERSTAND.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE:** BUT YOU'RE ACTUALLY COMING BACK IN TWO WEEKS WITH
14 A PLAN TO RESOLVE IT SO HOW DOES THAT FACTOR IN IF THAT'S PART
15 OF THE SOLUTION?

16

17 **J. TYLER MCCAULEY:** REGARDING THE ISSUE ABOUT-- TRISH WAS
18 TALKING ABOUT. SHE CAN COME BACK IN TWO WEEKS. OUR BIGGEST
19 CHALLENGE, SUPERVISOR KNABE, IS, SINCE THE COUNTY'S NEVER
20 CONTRACTED OUT SOCIAL SERVICES, WE'RE TRYING TO WORK WITH
21 OTHER JURISDICTIONS, CONTACT THEM AND SEE IF WE CAN GET AN
22 AVERAGE COST OF WHAT IT WOULD COST IF WE USED AN OUTSIDE FIRM,
23 AGENCY OR SOMETHING TO DO THAT. THAT'S WHY IT'S TAKING US SO
24 LONG TO GET TO THE ANSWER ON A PROPERTY ANALYSIS.

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1 **SUP. KNABE:** YEAH, FOR JUST THE ASSESSMENTS, RIGHT?

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3 **J. TYLER MCCAULEY:** YES.

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5 **SUP. KNABE:** BUT I'M JUST SAYING, I MEAN, WE'VE ASKED FOR A
6 PART OF THE REPORT BACK WAS-- PART OF THAT WAS TO HAVE THAT
7 ANALYSIS BUT, IF YOU'VE GOT ONE COMING IN AFTER THE FACT AND
8 YOU'RE COMING BACK IN TWO WEEKS WITH A SOLUTION, HOW DOES IT
9 WORK? I MEAN, HOW DO WE GET THEM INTEGRATED SHOULD THAT BE
10 POTENTIAL AS IT RELATES TO THE ASSESSMENT?

11

12 **J. TYLER MCCAULEY:** WE'LL PUSH AS HARD AS WE CAN TO SEE IF WE
13 CAN GET ANYTHING IN TWO WEEKS. IT'S JUST WHETHER OR NOT WE CAN
14 GET AN INDICATION OF WHAT THESE AGENCIES WOULD COST THE COUNTY
15 TO DO IT.

16

17 **PATRICIA PLOEHN:** WHAT I CAN DO IS PROVIDE, IN THE REPORT THAT
18 I'M GOING TO BE BRINGING BACK IN TWO WEEKS, IS WHAT THE PLAN
19 IS. AND, IF WE DON'T HAVE EXACTLY THE LAST PIECE OF
20 INFORMATION ON WHO'S GOING TO CONDUCT THOSE ASSESSMENTS, WE
21 CAN ADD THAT LATER. THE PLAN IS GOING TO STAY THE SAME
22 REGARDLESS OF WHETHER IT'S CONTRACTED OUT OR NOT.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE:** OKAY, THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. S-1. DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC
2 HEALTH? DR. FIELDING? DR. FIELDING?

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4 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR. CHAIR. I'M
5 JOINED BY DR. CHERNOF, WHO IS THE DEPUTY FOR PUBLIC HEALTH,
6 AND I'M ALSO-- HAVE BEEN ACCOMPANIED BY THE HEAD OF
7 ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH, TERRANCE POWELL. ON JANUARY 30TH, ON A
8 MOTION BY SUPERVISOR KNABE AS AMENDED BY SUPERVISOR
9 YAROSLAVSKY, IT DIRECTED US TO WORK WITH A VARIETY OF
10 RECOMMENDATIONS IN THE ORDER OF CONTROLLER'S REPORT ON DELAYED
11 NOTIFICATION OF THE HEALTH OFFICER FOR SEWAGE BILLS. WE'VE
12 MADE A LOT OF PROGRESS. THAT'S BEEN SUMMARIZED IN TWO MONTHLY
13 REPORTS AND I WAS ASKED TO RETURN TODAY TO GO OVER THE GENERAL
14 APPROACH TO THIS. WE'VE HAD SEVERAL MEETINGS WITH KEY
15 STAKEHOLDERS, INCLUDING COUNTY AGENCY AUDITOR CONTROLLER, ISD,
16 PUBLIC WORKS. WE'VE HAD MEETINGS WITH THE REGIONAL WATER
17 QUALITY BOARD, THE CITY SANITATION DEPARTMENT, THE COUNTY
18 SANITARY DISTRICT, HEAL THE BAY, THE BAY KEEPER I THINK WAS
19 ALSO THERE. WE'VE ALSO HAD A MEETING WITH THE LONG BEACH
20 HEALTH DEPARTMENT. WE AGREED TO WORK TOGETHER ON THESE
21 IMPORTANT WATER QUALITY ISSUES THAT AFFECT DIFFERENT PARTS OF
22 THE COUNTY. AT THE MEETING WITH ALL THE STAKEHOLDERS, WE SET
23 UP THREE SUBCOMMITTEES, ONE ON SPILL NOTIFICATION TIME LIMITS,
24 THE SECOND ON DEVELOPING CONTRACTOR NOTIFICATION REPORTING
25 POLICIES, AND THE THIRD DEVELOPING A REGIONAL REPORTING CALL



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1 CENTER AND WE'VE MADE PROGRESS IN EACH OF THESE AREAS. WE ALSO
2 ARE DEVELOPING A DATABASE THAT WE WILL PUT ONLINE FOR ALL THE
3 SPILLS OF ANY SIZE AND WE'RE WORKING WITH THE PUBLIC HEALTH
4 COMMISSION AS DIRECTED TO DEVELOP EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS FOR
5 ALL THE OPERATORS AND OWNERS OF SANITARY SEWER SYSTEMS AND
6 ALSO ON REQUIREMENTS FOR NOTIFICATION OF THE HEALTH OFFICER IF
7 THERE IS A SEWAGE SPILL. WE'VE MET WITH ISD. THERE ARE--
8 EVERYBODY WHO'S IN OUR EMERGENCY CALL LIST HAS ONE OF THESE
9 BINDERS THAT SPECIFY ALL THE PROCEDURES. SO EVERYBODY ON THE
10 CALL LIST NOW, THERE ARE SIX TO EIGHT PEOPLE THAT OPERATORS
11 CAN CALL UNTIL THEY GET SOMEBODY, AN INDIVIDUAL, AND THAT IS
12 AUDITABLE BECAUSE THERE IS A TELEPHONE RECORD BUT WE'RE
13 WORKING TO MAKE THE WHOLE THING AUDITABLE. THAT IS, WHEN WE
14 NOTIFY LONG BEACH OR CALL SOMEBODY ELSE, WE WANT THAT TO BE
15 ALSO RECORDED AND TIME DATED. A COUPLE OTHER ISSUES THAT WE
16 ARE WORKING ON. ONE IS THE TRADEOFF BETWEEN HOW QUICKLY WE'RE
17 NOTIFIED AND THE USEFULNESS OF THE INFORMATION. IN SOME CASES,
18 WE GET INFORMATION THAT WE REALLY CAN'T DO ANYTHING ABOUT
19 BECAUSE ALL THEY KNOW IS THEY SAY WE WERE NOTIFIED OF A SEWAGE
20 SPILL. WELL, WE DON'T KNOW EXACTLY HOW BIG OR THEY SAY WE
21 HEARD IT MIGHT BE 100 GALLONS, WELL, IT TURNS OUT IT COULD BE
22 A THOUSAND GALLONS OR VICE VERSA. SO WE HAVE TO KEEP AT THAT
23 TO MAKE SURE THAT WE HAVE INFORMATION TO TAKE APPROPRIATE
24 ACTION TO PROTECT THE PUBLIC. SECONDLY, WHAT NEEDS TO BE
25 REPORTED? IF WE HAD EVERY SEWAGE SPILL REPORTED TO US,



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1 INCLUDING ANY HOME THAT HAD A BACKUP AND HAD SOME SPILL OUT,
2 WE WOULD BE OVERWHELMED. BUT IT IS CRITICAL THAT EVEN
3 RELATIVELY SMALL SPILLS THAT ARE GOING TO GO INTO WATERWAYS OR
4 THAT COULD GO TO THE OCEAN BE-- WE BE NOTIFIED ABOUT SO WE'RE
5 WORKING WITH ALL OF THESE DIFFERENT STAKEHOLDERS ON THAT
6 ISSUE. AND THEN, THIRD, AS I MENTIONED, WAS THE AUDITABLE
7 NOTIFICATION SYSTEM SO THAT THERE WON'T BE ANY QUESTION ABOUT
8 WHO REPORTED TO WHOM WHAT AND WE CONTINUE TO MAKE THIS-- TO
9 HAVE THIS AS A VERY HIGH PRIORITY. I'D BE HAPPY TO ANSWER ANY
10 QUESTIONS THAT YOU MIGHT HAVE.

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MR. KNABE?

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14 **SUP. KNABE:** I NOTICED-- I THINK I NEED TO HAVE TYLER UP HERE,
15 AS WELL, TOO. I THINK, ONE, IS WE'VE MADE SIGNIFICANT
16 PROGRESS, I THINK, IN THIS WHOLE PROCESS BUT THERE WERE TWO
17 THINGS I WANTED TO ASK TYLER. HOPEFULLY, YOU'VE BEEN-- I MEAN,
18 OBVIOUSLY, YOU'VE MADE THE RECOMMENDATIONS AND THEY'VE DONE A
19 GOOD JOB OF IMPLEMENTING. WHAT'S YOUR OVERALL ASSESSMENT OF
20 THE PROGRESS MADE SO FAR?

21

22 **J. TYLER MCCAULEY:** I THINK THE PUBLIC HEALTH HAS MADE A GOOD
23 JOB IN PLANNING FOR WHAT THEY NEED TO DO. THE REPORT INDICATES
24 A LOT OF MEETINGS. BECAUSE THIS IS A REGIONAL ISSUE AND
25 INVOLVES SO MANY STAKEHOLDERS, I JUST WANT TO ENCOURAGE THEM



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1 TO CONTINUE TO TAKE A PROACTIVE APPROACH. THERE ARE A LOT OF
2 PLAYERS IN THIS, THE RESPONDERS, WHETHER IT BE OUR LIFEGUARD
3 PEOPLE, WHETHER IT BE OTHER PUBLIC HEALTH AGENCIES OR BEACHES
4 AND HARBORS, NOTIFY THE STATE WATER BOARD, ALL OF THOSE PEOPLE
5 NEED TO BE NOTIFIED. AND THE EXAMPLE OF THE USE WHERE THEY
6 HAVE STARTED A CALL CENTER, WHICH IS GOOD, THAT HAS TO ALL
7 CONNECT WITH ALL THOSE OTHER STAKEHOLDERS. AND THAT'S WHAT-- I
8 JUST ENCOURAGE THEM TO CONTINUE TO BE PROACTIVE IN THAT
9 REGARD.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE:** YEAH, I MEAN, I WOULD ENCOURAGE THEM TO DO THE
12 SAME THING BUT THEY HAVE BEEN DOING A GOOD JOB. I KNOW BECAUSE
13 BEING OUT AND AROUND A LOT OF THE CITIES HAVE SAID, YES, THEY
14 WERE DOING A VERY GOOD JOB OF BROWBEATING THEM MAKING SURE
15 THAT THE RIGHT CONNECTIONS WERE BEING MADE. BUT, ALSO, TYLER,
16 IN YOUR LATEST REPORT DATED MARCH 30TH, YOU MAKE AN ADDITIONAL
17 RECOMMENDATION REGARDING THE SPILLS INTO THE DRY RIVER BEDS.

18

19 **J. TYLER MCCAULEY:** YES, WHEN WE EXPANDED TO GET BETTER
20 INFORMATION, AS SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY ASKED FOR, WE HAD
21 DETERMINED THAT THERE WAS A LARGE SPILL, FOR EXAMPLE, OUT IN
22 SANTA CLARITA AREA, SANTA CLARA WATERSHED, WHERE THE WATER
23 DIDN'T MAKE IT TO THE OCEAN. IT STAYED OUT IN THEIR PUBLIC
24 WORKS QUICKLY CLEANED UP WHAT THEY COULD BUT WE LOOKED AT THE
25 STATE LAW TO DETERMINE WHETHER OR NOT THERE WAS CLEAR WHETHER



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1 OR NOT, IF IT DIDN'T MAKE IT TO THE OCEAN, WHETHER OR NOT--
2 THE LAW WAS VERY CLEAR, IF IT MADE IT TO THE OCEAN, IT HAD TO
3 BE REPORTED. BUT IT WASN'T CLEAR WHETHER IT HAD TO BE REPORTED
4 TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICER IF IT DIDN'T MAKE IT TO THE
5 OCEAN. AND OUR CONCERN IS THAT IT WAS VERY CLOSE TO A
6 RESIDENTIAL AREA OUT THERE. AND THAT HAPPENS IN OTHER RIVER
7 BEDS, WHERE IT FORMS LIKE A POND OR SOMETHING AND IT JUST MAY
8 REMAIN THERE. AND SO OUR CONCERN AND OUR FINDING WITH OUR
9 RECOMMENDATION IN THIS REPORT MIGHT PUT FORWARD SOMETHING
10 WHERE WE MIGHT CLARIFY THAT LAW. COUNTY COUNSEL'S INITIAL
11 INDICATION IS THAT IT'S NOT REAL CLEAR YET AND THEY NEED TO DO
12 MORE RESEARCH.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE:** WITH THAT, MR. CHAIRMAN, I HAVE A MOTION AND I
15 THINK SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH WANTED TO JOIN WITH ME IN REGARDS
16 TO A PARTICULAR INCIDENT, I THINK WITH REGARDS THE SANTA CLARA
17 RIVER BED, THAT WE WOULD THEREFORE MOVE THAT THIS THIS BOARD,
18 CONSISTENT WITH THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER'S RECOMMENDATION,
19 INSTRUCT THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH, IN CONJUNCTION WITH
20 THE PUBLIC HEALTH COMMISSION, AUDITOR-CONTROLLER AND COUNTY
21 COUNSEL AND AFFECTED AGENCIES AND CONSTITUENCIES, DETERMINE
22 WHETHER STATE LAW SHOULD BE AMENDED TO FURTHER ENSURE THE
23 PROTECTION OF THE PUBLIC'S HEALTH WHEN RAW SEWAGE IS
24 DISCHARGED INTO DRY RIVER BEDS. ACTION THE STATUS REPORTING ON
25 THIS MATTER SHOULD BE INTEGRATED WITH THE OTHER SEWAGE SPILL-



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1 RELATED RECOMMENDATIONS PREVIOUSLY APPROVED BY THIS BOARD. AND
2 THAT WOULD BE AN AMENDMENT THAT COMING IN WITH SUPERVISOR
3 ANTONOVICH.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SECOND THAT.

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YEAH, IT'S NOT JUST DRY RIVER BEDS
8 THAT WE'RE CONCERNED ABOUT. IT'S.

9

10 **J. TYLER MCCAULEY:** THE UNDERGROUND THINGS, TOO.

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WELL, REALLY, RAW SEWAGE SPILLS
13 ANYWHERE.

14

15 **J. TYLER MCCAULEY:** ANYWHERE, YOU'RE CORRECT.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I MEAN, WE BROADENED IT.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE:** YEAH, ABSOLUTELY. I MEAN, THE POINT BEING WE'RE
20 SORT OF GOING OFF THE RECOMMENDATION BUT IT COULD BE...

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** NO, IT'S NOT, I AGREE. BUT I THINK
23 THAT THE RECOMMENDATION, PERHAPS...

24



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1 **J. TYLER MCCAULEY:** IT WAS-- IT SHOULD HAVE SAID IT SHOULD BE
2 BROADER BECAUSE THEY DO SPILL INTO PONDS. THEY DO SPILL
3 DIFFERENT OTHER PLACES WHERE WE JUST DON'T HAVE DIRECTION ON
4 EXACTLY WHAT IS REQUIRED.

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OR THE STREET, AS WE'VE HAD
7 OCCASION TO SEE HAPPEN. I MEAN, THEY POP UP ALMOST ANYWHERE.

8

9 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** EXACTLY. AND ONE OF THE THINGS WE'RE
10 DOING IS SENDING OUT NOTIFICATION TO CONTRACTORS, MAKING CLEAR
11 TO THEM, BECAUSE IT'S NOT JUST PEOPLE WHO ARE WORKING ON
12 SEWAGE SYSTEM, IT'S THE CONTRACTOR ON A DEVELOPMENT OR WHOEVER
13 WHO HAPPENS TO INADVERTENTLY, YOU KNOW, OPEN A SEWER PIPE, YOU
14 KNOW, BREAK IT AND YOU HAVE SEWAGE SPILL. SO OUR POLICIES DO
15 ADDRESS ALL THE OTHERS, THEY HAD NOT ADDRESSED THE DRY
16 WATERBED AREA, HOWEVER.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT, SO WITHOUT OBJECTION,
19 HIS MOTION WILL BE BROADENED TO INCLUDE DRY RIVER BEDS AND ANY
20 OTHER LOCATIONS.

21

22 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** THAT'S CORRECT.

23

24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. AND I HAD A QUESTION OF
25 YOU. THE STATE LAW APPEARS TO BE A BIT AMBIGUOUS ABOUT WHO THE



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1 PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICER IS. WHO IS THE PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICER IN
2 LOS ANGELES COUNTY? YOU ARE?

3

4 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** I'M THE PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICER.

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ARE YOU THE PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICER
7 WHEN THERE'S A SEWAGE SPILL IN LONG BEACH?

8

9 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** NO THE PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICER IN LONG
10 BEACH I BELIEVE IS THE HEALTH OFFICER FOR THAT MUNICIPAL
11 JURISDICTION.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE:** RIGHT, LONG BEACH AND PASADENA, RIGHT?

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AND PASADENA.

16

17 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** AND PASADENA AND VERNON. THOSE ARE THE-
18 - VERNON DOESN'T REALLY HAVE A DEPARTMENT BUT THEY HAVE-- THEY
19 ARE SEPARATE.

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SO WHEN THERE'S A SPILL IN
22 HIGHLAND PARK AND IT ENDS UP IN LONG BEACH, WHO'S RESPONSIBLE
23 AS THE PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICER?

24



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1 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** WELL, WE'VE MET WITH THEM AND WE'VE
2 WORKED OUT PROTOCOLS. IF IT'S REPORTED TO US, WE NOTIFY THEM
3 RIGHT AWAY. THEY SHOULD BE NOTIFIED DIRECTLY. BUT JUST IN
4 CASE, WE'RE NOTIFYING ANYTHING THAT GOES INTO THE L.A. RIVER
5 THAT DISCHARGES IN LONG BEACH, WE MAKE SURE THAT THEY GET
6 NOTIFIED.

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IS THERE-- I MEAN YOU'VE RESOLVED
9 IT INFORMALLY OR AMONG YOURSELVES.

10

11 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** WE HAVE CLEAR RELATIONSHIPS. THAT'S
12 BEEN WORKING WELL. THAT'S BEEN WORKING WELL.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** DO YOU SEE ANY NEED TO CLARIFY
15 THIS IN STATE LEGISLATION?

16

17 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** NO, I THINK THE ONLY ISSUES WITH THE
18 STATE ARE THE ONES THAT HAD BEEN ELUCIDATED BEFORE. THERE WERE
19 DIFFERENT REPORTING REQUIREMENTS AND THEY NEEDED TO BE
20 HARMONIZED, BASED ON THE COUNTY CODE AND THE WATER. THE ISSUE
21 OF THE REPRESENTATION ON THE REGIONAL WATER QUALITY BOARD,
22 THAT WAS ANOTHER ISSUE AND THIS ISSUE OF TIMELY NOTIFICATION.
23 AND THERE ARE TWO BILLS, ASSEMBLYWOMAN BROMLY AND ALSO
24 ASSEMBLYMEMBER LOU HAVE BILLS THAT, IN FACT, GO TOWARDS THE
25 AUDITOR CONTROLLER RECOMMENDATIONS TO IMPLEMENT THOSE AND MY



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1 GUESS IS THEY'RE GOING TO BE CONSOLIDATED AND THERE'S A PARADA
2 BILL, AS WELL, THAT WOULD CHANGE THE REGIONAL WATER QUALITY
3 BOARDS AND MOVE THEM FROM NINE MEMBERS TO FIVE AND ONE WOULD
4 HAVE TO HAVE SOME RELEVANT PUBLIC HEALTH EXPERIENCE. SO THAT,
5 I DON'T KNOW EXACTLY WHERE THAT IS GOING TO WIND UP BUT I
6 THINK ALL OF THE AUDITOR CONTROLLER RECOMMENDATIONS ARE BEING
7 ADDRESSED CURRENTLY IN LEGISLATION WITHOUT KNOWING EXACTLY HOW
8 THAT LEGISLATION WILL EVENTUATE.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. ANY OTHER DISCUSSION?
11 IF NOT, THE ITEM IS BROADENED, IS BEFORE US. KNABE MOVES,
12 ANTONOVICH SECONDS, UNANIMOUS VOTE.

13

14 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** THANK YOU.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WE'VE DONE EVERYTHING, RIGHT?

17

18 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** NO. WE STILL HAVE ITEM 68 AND CS-1 AND 18.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AND 18 WE'RE HOLDING. ITEM 68. GO
21 AHEAD DR. CHERNOF.

22

23 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** GOOD MORNING, CHAIR, SUPERVISORS, I'M
24 PLEASED TO SHARE WITH YOU, IN FOLLOW-UP TO OUR MEETING LAST
25 WEEK, THE DEPARTMENT, WITH THE SUBSTANTIAL HELP OF COUNTY



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1 COUNSEL AND REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
2 SERVICES, WERE ABLE TO COME TO AN AGREEMENT WITH CMS. THAT
3 GIVES US A FORMAL EXTENSION WITH NO BREAK IN SERVICE IN OUR
4 CURRENT PROVIDER AGREEMENT FOR MLK HARBOR HOSPITAL. THAT
5 EXTENSION IS EFFECTIVE THE FIRST OF APRIL AND IT RUNS THROUGH
6 AUGUST 15TH. THE SURVEY-- THE DOCUMENT IS MATERIALLY
7 CONSISTENT WITH EVERYTHING WE TALKED ABOUT LAST WEEK AND WE
8 ARE STILL WORKING WITH THE STATE AND OTHERS TO ASSESS THE
9 FINANCIAL IMPACT BUT THE FINANCIAL IMPACT IS NOT DIFFERENT
10 THAN WE DISCUSSED LAST WEEK. IN FACT, IT MIGHT BE SLIGHTLY
11 IMPROVED. THE SPECIFIC REASON IS BECAUSE WE HAVE RECEIVED
12 FORMAL GUIDANCE FROM CMS ABOUT WHAT QUALIFIES FOR EMERGENCY
13 SERVICES THAT CAN BE BILLED UNDER THE CONTRACT. AND THAT WILL
14 IMPROVE OUR POSITION SLIGHTLY BECAUSE A FAIR NUMBER OF THE
15 PATIENTS WHO COME INTO MLK HARBOR HOSPITAL WOULD QUALIFY FOR
16 EMERGENCY SERVICES AND THUS WOULD STILL BE BILLABLE DIRECTLY
17 TO CMS, EVEN WITH OUR VOLUNTARY AGREEMENT NOT TO BILL THEM
18 AFTER MAY 1ST. WITH THAT, I'LL BE GLAD TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS
19 YOU HAVE.

20
21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THE STATE LEGISLATION OR THE PIECE
22 ON THE CERTIFIED PUBLIC EXPENDITURE ISSUE THAT WE'VE
23 DISCUSSED, HAVE YOU TAKEN ANY STEPS ON THAT IN ENGAGING THE
24 STATE?

25



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1 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** YES, SUPERVISOR, I HAVE. WE ARE WORKING
2 CLOSELY WITH STAN ROSENSTEIN, THE MEDICAID DIRECTOR FOR THE
3 STATE OF CALIFORNIA. WE NEED TO HAVE A DISCUSSION WITH THE
4 CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF PUBLIC HOSPITALS, WHICH WE WILL DO
5 THE SECOND WEEK IN APRIL AT THEIR BOARD MEETING. WE HAVE HAD
6 PRELIMINARY DISCUSSIONS WITH THE PRESIDENT OF THE CALIFORNIA
7 ASSOCIATION OF PUBLIC HOSPITALS. THE STATE HAS ASKED US TO
8 HAVE THAT DISCUSSION AND WE WILL DO THAT THAT WEEK. BASED ON
9 THAT DISCUSSION, THE STATE WILL GO FORWARD WITH THEIR EFFORTS
10 TO SUPPORT US CONTINUING TO GET FUNDING UNDER THE CURRENT
11 WAIVER, AS LONG AS IT HOLDS OTHER PUBLIC HOSPITALS HARMLESS
12 FOR THEIR COMPONENT OF THE WAIVER.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I'M SORRY. SO THE-- I DIDN'T
15 CATCH. THE CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF PUBLIC HOSPITALS' PIECE
16 OF THIS IS?

17

18 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** THE WAIVER IS A WAIVER THAT WE SHARE WITH
19 ALL PUBLIC HOSPITALS IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA AND THE STATE
20 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES HAS ASKED US TO DIRECTLY TALK
21 WITH...

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** BUT I WAS UNDER THE IMPRESSION
24 THAT THIS PARTICULAR ISSUE WAS TOTALLY INTERNAL TO THE COUNTY



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1 OF LOS ANGELES, THAT THE SHIFT OF CPES WAS TOTALLY INTRA
2 COUNTY GOVERNMENTAL.

3

4 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** THE PIECE THAT IS UNDER OUR CONTROL, THE
5 ABILITY TO DO THAT IS UNDER OUR CONTROL, SUPERVISOR, BUT IT
6 IMPACTS THE REST OF THE WAIVER. THOSE DOLLARS COULD
7 POTENTIALLY FLOW TO OTHER PUBLIC HOSPITALS.

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YES, BUT THEY DON'T FLOW THERE
10 NOW. SO, RIGHT NOW, THERE'S NO LOSS TO ANY OTHER INSTITUTION.
11 IT'S JUST THE POTENTIAL...

12

13 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** IT'S THE POTENTIAL GAIN.

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THE POTENTIAL GAIN THEY WOULD BE
16 THE BENEFICIARY OF OUR MISFORTUNE.

17

18 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** THAT'S CORRECT.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY, BUT THAT'S NOT THE SAME AS
21 SOMETHING THAT WOULD TAKE MONEY AWAY FROM THEM AND PUT IT IN
22 THE COUNTY COFFERS.

23

24 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** IT STILL REQUIRES A TECHNICAL CHANGE TO THE
25 WAIVER.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** UNDERSTOOD. BUT WHAT IS THE
3 CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF PUBLIC HOSPITALS...

4

5 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** THEY NEED TO BE FORMALLY INFORMED OF THAT
6 TECHNICAL CHANGES.

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** INFORMALLY INFORMED?

9

10 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** FORMALLY...

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** FORMALLY INFORMED.

13

14 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** ...INFORMED THAT THAT TECHNICAL CHANGE
15 WOULD NEED TO GO IN THE BILL THAT WILL BE CARRIED IN APRIL TO
16 SUPPORT YOU THROUGH THE WAIVER.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** DO THEY HAVE A VETO POWER OVER
19 THIS? THEY WOULDN'T HAVE A VETO POWER OVER THIS.

20

21 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** I DO NOT BELIEVE, SUPERVISOR, THAT THEY
22 HAVE ANY DIRECT VETO POWER. BUT, OBVIOUSLY, THIS IS A PIECE OF
23 LEGISLATION THAT WOULD NEED TO PASS LEGISLATURE AND BE SIGNED
24 BY THE GOVERNOR.

25



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** HAVE YOU HAD ANY CONVERSATIONS
2 WITH THE CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF PUBLIC HOSPITALS ON THIS
3 SUBJECT MATTER?

4

5 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** I'VE HAD PRELIMINARY DISCUSSIONS WITH THE
6 PRESIDENT OF THE CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF PUBLIC HOSPITALS.
7 SHE AND HER STAFF HAVE REVIEWED IT. THEY UNDERSTAND IT AND
8 THEY ARE COMMITTED TO HAVING ME BRING IT FORWARD TO THE FULL
9 BOARD ON, I BELIEVE, IT'S THE 13TH OF APRIL BUT IT'S THE
10 SECOND...

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THE FULL BOARD OF THE ASSOCIATION
13 OF PUBLIC HOSPITALS?

14

15 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** THAT'S CORRECT.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AND WHEN WAS THAT GOING TO BE?

18

19 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** IT'S THE SECOND WEEK IN APRIL, SUPERVISOR.
20 I BELIEVE IT'S THE 13TH OF APRIL.

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AND IS THIS GOING TO BE-- THIS IS
23 WITH-- THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR IS GOING TO BRING IT FORWARD?

24



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1 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** I WILL BE BRINGING IT FORWARD. THE
2 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR WILL PUT IT ON THE AGENDA.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IS THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR GOING TO
5 SUPPORT THIS? HAVE THEY INDICATED SUPPORT? THEY GOING TO ASK
6 THEIR BOARD TO SUPPORT THIS?

7

8 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** I WAS NOT ON THE PHONE CALL, SUPERVISOR,
9 WITH THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR. MY STAFF WAS. THEY WERE
10 SUPPORTIVE IN CONCEPT. THEY WANTED THEIR STAFF TO GO BACK AND
11 LOOK AT THE SPECIFIC TECHNICAL CHANGES THAT NEED TO BE MADE. I
12 BELIEVE THAT THEY WILL BE SUPPORTIVE BUT THEY ARE COMPLETING
13 THEIR TECHNICAL EVALUATION. THE EARLY SIGNALS ARE POSITIVE.

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. ANY OTHER QUESTIONS?

16

17 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** THANK YOU.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LET ME ASK...

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MR. ANTONOVICH.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AGAIN, I'M GOING TO REPEAT SOME OF THIS BUT
24 HOW IS THE STRUCTURE OF THIS MEDICAL STAFF AT MLK GOING TO BE
25 DOWNSIZED?



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1

2 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** WELL THE MEDICAL STAFF, SUPERVISOR, HAS
3 ALREADY BEEN DOWNSIZED AS PART OF THE MITIGATION PROCESS.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY. WILL THE NEW POLICY PROCEDURES BE
6 COMPLETED? OR WHEN WILL THEY BE COMPLETED FOR THE MLK HARBOR?

7

8 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** THE WORK PLAN TO COMPLETE THEM IS BEING
9 FINALIZED THIS WEDNESDAY. THOSE POLICIES AND PROCEDURES ARE
10 BEING-- AS THEY ARE APPROVED, THEY ARE BEING IMPLEMENTED IN
11 TRANSITION. THEY WILL ALL BE IN PLACE-- I CAN GIVE YOU A
12 SPECIFIC DATE BY NEXT WEEK, SUPERVISOR, BUT MY SENSE IS...

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THAT INCLUDES THAT TRAINING AND PROFICIENCY
15 IN THE NEW PROCEDURES THAT...

16

17 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** ABSOLUTELY, SUPERVISOR.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IS THE DEPARTMENT STILL PROJECTING SURVEY
20 READINESS BY JULY 1ST?

21

22 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** THAT'S CORRECT, SUPERVISOR.

23



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND IS THE FISCAL IMPACT FOR NOT RECEIVING
2 MEDICARE OR MEDICAID REIMBURSEMENT FOR THE PERIOD FROM MAY 1ST
3 TO AUGUST 15TH OF THIS YEAR?

4

5 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** YES, SUPERVISOR.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IT IS. WHAT IS CMS' DEFINITION OF EMERGENCY
8 MEDICAL SERVICES THAT WOULD BE ELIGIBLE FOR MEDICARE,
9 MEDICALLY AND UNINSURED AND HOW WILL THAT IMPACT THE COUNTY
10 FINANCIALLY?

11

12 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** THERE IS A SPECIFIC SET OF CRITERIA,
13 SUPERVISOR, THAT CMS HAS PROVIDED TO US. IT'S ACTUALLY BROADER
14 THAN WE HAD INITIALLY EXPECTED IT TO BE AND THE DOCUMENTATION
15 REQUIRED IS ACTUALLY MORE BENIGN THAN WE THOUGHT IT WOULD BE.
16 SO WE DO THINK THAT OUR ABILITY TO BILL WILL BE GREATER UNDER
17 THE CONTRACT AND THAT OUR OVERALL FINANCIAL RISK WILL BE
18 IMPROVED.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND WE'RE LOOKING AT THE TOBACCO MONEY BEING
21 USED FROM MAY 1ST TO AUGUST 15TH?

22

23 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** THAT IS MY UNDERSTANDING, SUPERVISOR.

24



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND HAS THE DEPARTMENT DISCUSSED WITH CMS ON
2 EXPEDITING THE DETERMINATION PROCESS AS THE SURVEY MAY TAKE
3 SEVERAL WEEKS OR MONTHS?

4

5 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** CMS HAS BEEN REALLY COOPERATIVE WITH THE
6 DEPARTMENT, SUPERVISOR. THEY HAVE PUT IN PLACE AND IN WRITING
7 IN THE DOCUMENT IS A RAPID TURN AROUND FOR A RESULT. THAT'S
8 THEIR COMMITMENT. THEY HAVE PUT THEMSELVES AT RISK FOR EVEN
9 EXTENDING ANOTHER 30 DAYS. LET ME BE CLEAR. NOT FOR A SURVEY.
10 BUT IF, FOR ANY REASON THEY ARE HELD UP FOR TECHNICAL
11 PURPOSES, THAT TECHNICAL HOLDUP WOULD BE ON THEIR NICKEL NOT
12 OURS FOR THE SUBSEQUENT 30 DAYS.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ORIGINALLY, THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE
17 OF THE ADMINISTRATION UP IN SACRAMENTO SAID THAT THEY WERE
18 GOING TO SUPPORT THE CPE, THE TECHNICAL CORRECTION OF THE LAW,
19 TO FACILITATE OUR OBJECTIVES HERE. IS THAT CORRECT? ON THE CPE
20 ADJUSTMENTS?

21

22 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** THAT'S CORRECT.

23

24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** DID THEY AT THAT TIME INDICATE
25 THAT THEY WERE REQUIRING YOU TO GET THE SUPPORT OF THE



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1 CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF PUBLIC HOSPITALS IN EXCHANGE FOR
2 THEIR SUPPORT OR AS A CONDITION OF THEIR SUPPORT?

3

4 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** SUPERVISOR, THEY DID WANT A DISCUSSION TO
5 OCCUR WITH THE CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF PUBLIC HOSPITALS
6 BECAUSE THE WAIVER AFFECTS ALL PUBLIC HOSPITALS. THEY'VE
7 STATED CLEARLY WHAT THEIR PERSPECTIVE IS, WHICH IS THAT NO
8 PUBLIC HOSPITAL-- OTHER PUBLIC HOSPITALS SHOULD FEAST ON THE
9 MISFORTUNES OF THIS COUNTY OR MLK HARBOR SPECIFICALLY AS IT
10 COMPLETES THE VERY DIFFICULT WORK IN METROCARE. SO THEY DID
11 MAKE IT CLEAR THAT THEY WOULD WANT THE CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION
12 OF PUBLIC HOSPITALS ENGAGED BUT THEY'VE ALREADY STATED THEIR
13 POSITION OF SUPPORT.

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I UNDERSTAND, THROUGH YOUR STAFF,
16 THAT THE-- MORE RECENTLY, IN RECENT DAYS, THAT THE VIEW IS NOW
17 THAT THEY WANT US TO DO THE HEAVY LIFTING TO GET CALIFORNIA
18 PUBLIC ASSOCIATION OF PUBLIC HOSPITALS ON BOARD. IT DOESN'T
19 SAY OR WHAT, YOU KNOW, WHAT THE OTHER SHOE IS THAT WOULD DROP
20 BUT IT'S BEGINNING TO LOOK LIKE THE BURDEN IS SHIFTING FROM
21 WHAT WAS GOING TO BE ADMINISTRATION SUPPORT FOR THIS
22 ADJUSTMENT TO "IT'S ON YOUR SHOULDERS TO GET IT DONE, COUNTY,
23 AND GET ALL THE DUCKS IN ORDER."

24



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1 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** SUPERVISOR, I THINK THAT WHAT THE STATE HAS
2 LEFT TO US IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF TALKING TO CAPH ABOUT
3 WHAT'S BEING PROPOSED AND I'M GLAD TO DO THAT AT THE NEXT
4 BOARD MEETING. THEY HAVE NOT WAVERED FROM THEIR POSITION THAT
5 THEY'VE STATED ON MANY OCCASIONS, WHICH IS THAT THIS
6 ADMINISTRATION, THE STATE ADMINISTRATION IS SUPPORTIVE OF
7 THESE TECHNICAL CHANGES. SO I WOULD AGREE WITH YOU THAT
8 THEY'VE ASKED ME TO HAVE THE INITIAL DISCUSSION WITH THE FULL
9 BOARD. I DO NOT SEE A CHANGE IN THEIR POSITION AND I'M
10 CONFIDENT THEY'LL STAND BY THAT POSITION.

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. ANY OTHER QUESTIONS?
13 ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU, BRUCE. WE HAVE ONE PERSON WHO WANTED TO
14 BE HEARD ON THIS. DR. CLAVREUL?

15

16 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
17 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. IT IS TOO BAD THAT LAST WEEK WHEN YOU
18 DISCUSSED THAT ITEM, IT WAS NOT ON THE AGENDA. CONSEQUENTLY,
19 THE VOTE YOU TOOK LAST WEEK IS CERTAINLY INVALID AND I WANT TO
20 CITE YOU FOR THAT BROWN ACT VIOLATION AND ASK YOU TO CORRECT
21 AND CURE. THAT ITEM WAS NEVER PLACED ON THE AGENDA. IT WAS NOT
22 PLACED INTO A CLOSED SESSION. A-3 WAS NOT CALLED. YOU COULD
23 HAVE DONE THAT. YOU COULD HAVE CALLED A-3 TO DISCUSS THAT
24 MATTER. YOU DIDN'T. YOU COULD HAVE EVEN HAVE HAD IT UNDER AN
25 EMERGENCY ITEM BECAUSE IT WAS TRULY AN EMERGENCY. I'M REALLY



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1 DISAPPOINTED. AND NOT ONLY ABOUT YOU BUT ABOUT YOUR COUNSEL.
2 YOU KNOW, I HIGHLY RECOMMEND THAT YOU-- COUNSEL FOR THE COUNTY
3 ARE SENT TO A REMEDIAL COURSE ON THE BROWN ACT AND-- TO
4 PREVENT YOU FROM MAKING THAT KIND OF MISTAKE. AND I AM, YOU
5 KNOW, PRETTY UPSET BECAUSE I SAT THROUGH NUMEROUS HOURS OF
6 BORING ITEMS BROUGHT, INCLUDING MULTIPLE, YOU KNOW,
7 CONGRATULATIONS TO EVERYBODY. AND AN ACUTE ITEM LIKE THAT WAS
8 NOT DEALT WITH PROFESSIONALISM AND IN RESPECT OF THE PUBLIC
9 AND THE TRANSPARENCY FOR SUCH AN ITEM. AND I THINK I WILL
10 APPRECIATE IF THAT DID NOT HAPPEN IN THE FUTURE AGAIN. THANK
11 YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION. OH, BY THE WAY...

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YOU'RE RIGHT. YOU'RE RIGHT.

14

15 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** THANK YOU. BUT I KNOW YOU TRY. THAT'S
16 WHAT I SAID. IT'S NOT ONLY YOU, YOU KNOW, YOU HAVE ADVISORS
17 SHOULD HAVE GIVEN TO YOU. ANYWAY...

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WE HOPE IT WON'T HAPPEN AGAIN.

20

21 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** THANK YOU. COPY OF THE ARTICLE, MY
22 COMPLAINT TO DISTRICT ATTORNEY, WHICH I HOPE YOU WILL TAKE HIS
23 POSITION SERIOUSLY AND CITE YOU. THANK YOU. COPY FOR THE
24 BOARD.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. THAT WAS ITEM S-1.

2

3 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THAT WAS ITEM 68.

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** 68, I'M SORRY. 68. SO THAT TAKES
6 CARE OF THAT ITEM. ANYTHING ELSE OTHER THAN 17?

7

8 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** CS-1 OR 18.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** CS-1. MS. MOLINA, YOU HELD IT.
11 BOWMAN CASE.

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA:** OH, YOU KNOW, I'M GOING TO WAIT FOR CLOSED
14 SESSION. I DO HAVE SOME QUESTIONS THAT I WANT TO ASK. I'M
15 GOING TO WAIT UNTIL THEN.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. COULD WE HAVE ON ITEM 17,
18 WHO IS YOUR STAFF PERSON ON THIS?

19

20 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM 18.

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IS HE HERE?

23

24 **SUP. KNABE:** 18, YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT 18, RIGHT?

25



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I'M SORRY, 18.

2

3 **SHARON HARPER:** YES, HE IS, SUPERVISOR.

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** COULD WE ASK DON TO COME HERE? AND
6 IS HELEN PARKER THE ATTORNEY WHO NEGOTIATED THIS LEASE? ALL
7 RIGHT. I DON'T MEAN TO DISPLACE YOU BUT IT WILL SAVE US TIME
8 IF WE GO RIGHT TO THE-- CUT OUT THE MIDDLE MAN.

9

10 **RAYMOND G. FORTNER, JR.:** NO, MR. CHAIRMAN, ACTUALLY, KAREN
11 LICHTENBERG, ASSISTANT COUNTY COUNSEL.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. THAT'S FINE. ANYBODY
14 BUT YOU, RAY. JUST JOKING.

15

16 **RAYMOND G. FORTNER, JR.:** I'LL GO TO MY REMEDIAL CLASS NOW.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I GUESS THE FIRST QUESTION I WANT
19 TO ASK IS THIS HAS BEEN ORIGINALLY DESCRIBED AND MOTIVATED I
20 THINK TO BE DONE IN PARALLEL WITH SOME OF THE OTHER CULTURAL
21 INSTITUTIONS THAT WE HAVE THE COUNTY RUNS. THE MUSIC CENTER,
22 THE MUSEUM, COUNTY MUSEUM OF ART. HOW DOES THIS DIFFER FROM
23 ANY OF THE AGREEMENTS THAT WE HAVE WITH THE COUNTY MUSEUM OF
24 ART OR THE MUSIC CENTER? NOT IN EVERY DETAIL BUT IN A
25 MACROSCOPIC SORT OF WAY. OR DOES IT DIFFER?



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2 **SPEAKER:** THIS FUNDING AGREEMENT PARALLELS THE AGREEMENT THAT
3 WE'VE GOT IN PLACE...

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YOU HAVE TO PULL THE MIC DOWN SO
6 THAT YOU CAN BE HEARD HERE.

7

8 **SPEAKER:** ...WITH THE MUSIC CENTER WHEREIN WE'RE OBLIGATED TO
9 PAY FOR CERTAIN EXPENSES AND, ON AN ANNUAL BASIS AS PART OF
10 THE BUDGET PROCESS, THE SPENDING PLAN IS SUBMITTED TO THE
11 C.A.O. AND IS REVIEWED AS PART OF THE BUDGET PROCESS.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IT DOES NOT PARALLEL THAT
14 AGREEMENT THAT WE HAVE WITH THE MUSEUM OF ART, DOES IT?

15

16 **SPEAKER:** CORRECT, IT DOES NOT.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AND IN WHAT WAYS DOES IT NOT?
19 AGAIN, MACRO.

20

21 **SPEAKER:** THE MUSEUM OF ART, WE'RE OBLIGATED TO SPEND A CERTAIN
22 AMOUNT OF MONEY, DEPENDING UPON THE ABILITY OF THE MUSEUM OF
23 ART TO MATCH 80 PERCENT OF THAT, I BELIEVE.

24



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** 80 PERCENT. SO THE MUSEUM OF ART
2 HAS TO-- IN ORDER FOR THEM TO ACCESS THE MONEY THAT'S IN THE
3 CONTRACT FOR MAINTENANCE, THEY HAVE TO RAISE FOUR TIMES THAT
4 AMOUNT?

5

6 **SPEAKER:** 80 PERCENT OF THAT.

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WHICH WOULD BE FOUR TIMES 20
9 PERCENT OR WHATEVER IT IS.

10

11 **SPEAKER:** YES.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WHICH IS WHAT THEY ROUGHLY GET.
14 ALL RIGHT. THERE ARE TWO PARCELS IN THIS PARTICULAR MUSEUM
15 PROJECT, IS THAT CORRECT?

16

17 **KAREN LICHTENBERG:** THAT'S CORRECT.

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ONE OF THEM IS WHERE THE INITIAL
20 MUSEUM IS GOING TO BE BUILT? I DON'T KNOW HOW YOU DESCRIBE THE
21 TWO SITES. BUT ONE OF THEM IS A SMALLER ONE AND THE LARGER
22 ONE.

23



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1 **KAREN LICHTENBERG, :** WE'RE CALLING THE SITE RIGHT NOW IS THE
2 ONE THAT HAS THE HISTORIC BUILDINGS THAT ARE BEING
3 REHABILITATED.

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AND THOSE BUILDINGS ARE GOING TO
6 BE REHABILITATED BY THE COUNTY, CORRECT?

7

8 **KAREN LICHTENBERG, :** THEY'RE BEING REHABILITATED BY THE
9 FOUNDATION BUT THE COUNTY IS MANAGING IT ON BEHALF OF THE
10 FOUNDATION.

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WHO IS PAYING FOR THE-- WHEN YOU
13 SAY REHABILITATION, THE SEISMIC REHABILITATION AND ALL,
14 BRINGING IT UP TO SEISMIC CODE AND BUILDING CODE?

15

16 **KAREN LICHTENBERG, :** THAT'S CORRECT.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WHO IS PAYING FOR THAT?

19

20 **KAREN LICHTENBERG, :** THE COUNTY IS ULTIMATELY PAYING FOR THAT.

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THE COUNTY IS ULTIMATELY PAYING
23 FOR IT, 100 PERCENT OF IT, CORRECT?

24



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1 **KAREN LICHTENBERG:** YES, TO THE SHELL AND CORE. THE TENANT
2 IMPROVEMENTS ARE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE FOUNDATION.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. WHAT'S ON THE OTHER SITE?
5 NOT THE SITE YOU JUST DESCRIBED, THE LARGER SITE?

6

7 **KAREN LICHTENBERG:** IT'S JUST SURFACE PARKING RIGHT NOW.

8

9 **SPEAKER:** CURRENTLY, THERE ARE TWO PARKING LOTS, COUNTY PARKING
10 LOTS.

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AND THE AGREEMENT WE REACHED
13 SOMETIME AGO, A YEAR OR TWO AGO, WHENEVER IT WAS, WAS THAT THE
14 MUSEUM WOULD HAVE THE RIGHT TO DEVELOP OR LEASE OR SUBLEASE
15 THAT PROPERTY, THAT LARGER PARCEL, IN A MANNER THAT WAS--
16 THERE WAS A DESCRIPTION OF HOW THAT WOULD BE DONE. IT WOULD
17 HAVE TO BE-- IT WAS A VERY GENERAL LANGUAGE ABOUT THE INTEREST
18 OF THE COUNTY WOULD HAVE TO...

19

20 **KAREN LICHTENBERG:** THEY HAVE A 15-YEAR PERIOD DURING WHICH
21 THEY CAN EXERCISE AN OPTION, WHICH MEANS THAT THEY WOULD COME
22 TO THE COUNTY WITHIN THAT 15-YEAR PERIOD WITH A PROPOSED USE
23 FOR THE LARGER PARCEL. AND THE COUNTY, IN THE EXERCISE OF ITS
24 DISCRETION, COULD DECIDE WHETHER THAT PROPOSED USE COMPLIES
25 WITH THE GOVERNMENT CODE 26-227 AND WHETHER THE PROPOSED USE



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1 DOESN'T-- ISN'T CONTRARY TO THE COUNTY'S AREA OF INTEREST AS
2 IT'S DEFINED IN THE LEASE, WHICH MEANS THE COST OF MAINTAINING
3 AND OPERATING THE FACILITY.

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AND WHAT IS THE AREA OF INTEREST?

6

7 **KAREN LICHTENBERG:** THAT'S THE TERM WE USED FOR THOSE FINANCIAL
8 CONSIDERATIONS THAT THE COUNTY WOULD HAVE TOWARD ANY FUTURE
9 USE.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** BUT IT'S ALSO A DESCRIPTION OF THE
12 TYPE OF SUBLEASE THAT COULD BE ENTERED INTO, ISN'T IT? I MEAN,
13 COULD THEY LEASE IT TO ANYBODY?

14

15 **KAREN LICHTENBERG:** NO, THEY COULDN'T. WHATEVER USE STILL HAS
16 TO COMPLY WITH THE TERMS OF 26.227 WHICH MEETS THE SOCIAL
17 NEEDS OF THE COUNTY. THE BOARD WOULD HAVE TO MAKE A FINDING
18 THAT THE PROPOSED USE MEETS THE SOCIAL NEEDS OF THE COUNTY.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SO WOULD ANY RETAIL USE ON THAT
21 PROPERTY, IF IT WERE TO COMPLIMENT THE MUSEUM, BE AN
22 APPROPRIATE USE?

23



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1 **KAREN LICHTENBERG:** WELL, YOU COULD HAVE SOME LIMITED RETAIL
2 USE IF THE PROCEEDS WENT TO A NONPROFIT, I BELIEVE, SIMILAR
3 TO, YOU KNOW, WHAT'S DONE AT THE MUSEUM STORES.

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OR WHAT'S DONE IN THE MALL RIGHT
6 BEHIND US?

7

8 **KAREN LICHTENBERG:** RIGHT.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SO IF THERE WAS A STARBUCKS, JUST
11 TO USE A LOCAL EXAMPLE, WERE TO-- IF THIS WAS TO BE LEASED TO
12 A STARBUCKS, AMONG OTHER THINGS, MY QUESTION IS: DOES THIS
13 AGREEMENT OBLIGATE US TO-- ASIDE FROM BACK TO THE FIRST SITE,
14 ASIDE FROM IT BEING 100 PERCENT COUNTY MONEY THAT'S PAYING FOR
15 THE RESTORATION OF THE BUILDING AND BRINGING IT UP TO CODE, IT
16 ALSO COMMITS THE COUNTY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE OTHER
17 AGREEMENTS WE HAVE WITH OTHER INSTITUTIONS TO PROVIDE THE
18 OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE AND UTILITY COSTS FOR THE MUSEUM,
19 CORRECT?

20

21 **KAREN LICHTENBERG:** FOR THE FACILITY, NOT FOR THE PROGRAMMING.

22

23 **SPEAKER:** CORRECT.

24



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** FOR THE FACILITY BUT THE FACILITY,
2 IN THE FIRST SITE, IS A MUSEUM, IS IT NOT?

3

4 **KAREN LICHTENBERG:** I DON'T KNOW THAT IT'S BEEN DECIDED AT THIS
5 TIME PRECISELY...

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I'M NOT TALKING ABOUT THE LARGER
8 PARCEL NOW. I'M TALKING ABOUT THE HISTORIC BUILDINGS. IT HAS
9 NOT BEEN DECIDED?

10

11 **SPEAKER:** I DO NOT BELIEVE THE FOUNDATION HAS COMPLETED ITS
12 PROGRAMMING.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I THOUGHT THIS WAS A MUSEUM-- SUP.
15 MOLINA EARLIER DESCRIBED IT-- I THINK YOU DESCRIBED IT AS A
16 MUSEUM. I THOUGHT THIS WAS A MUSEUM. WHAT IS IT?

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA:** IT'S A-- LA PLAZA DE CULTURA Y ARTES IS A
19 CULTURAL CENTER.

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. ALL RIGHT. FINE. SO CULTURAL
22 CENTER. WE ARE PROVIDING THE OPERATION, MAINTENANCE AND THE
23 UTILITIES COVERING THE COSTS OF THE CULTURAL CENTER, CORRECT?

24

25 **SPEAKER:** CORRECT.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ON THE SECOND PARCEL, THE LARGER
3 PARCEL, IF THEY LEASE IT TO SOMEBODY, ARE WE REQUIRED TO
4 PROVIDE, UNDER THIS AGREEMENT, THE OPERATION, MAINTENANCE AND
5 UTILITY COSTS OF THAT FACILITY, REGARDLESS OF WHAT IT IS?

6

7 **KAREN LICHTENBERG:** WELL, RIGHT NOW, THIS AGREEMENT DOESN'T
8 EXTEND TO THE LARGER PARCEL BUT, IF WE ENTERED INTO A LEASE
9 AMENDMENT FOR THE LARGER PARCEL, WHICH IS THE FIRST THING THAT
10 WOULD HAVE TO HAPPEN, THEN THE QUESTION OF THE OPERATIONAL
11 COST OF WHATEVER IT IS THEY WANT TO DO ON THAT LARGER PARCEL
12 WOULD BE BEFORE THE BOARD. AND THE BOARD, IN ITS DISCRETION,
13 COULD AGREE WHETHER OR NOT TO APPROVE THAT USE, BASED ON THE
14 COST IMPACT OF THAT USE.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. THAT'S DIFFERENT THAN
17 WHAT YOU WERE TOLD. I THINK. NO? OKAY. SO ANY USE OF THE
18 LARGER PARCEL HAS TO COME BACK TO THE BOARD, CORRECT?

19

20 **KAREN LICHTENBERG:** THAT'S CORRECT.

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AND, AT THAT TIME, THE BOARD WOULD
23 MAKE A JUDGMENT (A) AS TO WHETHER THE LEASE WAS APPROPRIATE;
24 AND, IF THE LEASE WAS APPROPRIATE, WHETHER THEY WANTED TO



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1 COVER THE-- DEPENDING UPON WHAT THE LEASE WAS THAT THE BOARD
2 WANTED TO DO AT THAT TIME.

3

4 **KAREN LICHTENBERG:** THAT'S CORRECT.

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. MR. RING SUPPLIED ME WITH
7 SOME ANSWERS TO A COUPLE OF QUESTIONS, GENERIC QUESTIONS THAT
8 I HAD ABOUT-- THERE'S A PROVISION IN THIS THAT THE CULTURAL
9 CENTER CAN LEASE SPACE IN THE FIRST SITE, IN THE HISTORIC
10 BUILDING SITE, TO OTHER GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES FOR OFFICE
11 SPACE. HE INDICATED TO ME THAT THAT SPACE IS ABOUT 7,000
12 SQUARE FEET. IS THAT THE MAXIMUM? IS THAT AN ACCURATE...?

13

14 **SPEAKER:** I WOULD, AT THIS POINT, LOOK TO THE FOUNDATION TO
15 TELL US WHAT THEY THINK IS AVAILABLE.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** DO YOU WANT TO COME UP HERE FOR A
18 SECOND, DOUG? HOW MUCH SPACE-- HOW BIG IS THE CULTURAL CENTER,
19 FOR STARTERS, IN TERMS OF SQUARE FOOTAGE?

20

21 **DOUG:** I'M SORRY, MY RECOLLECTION DOESN'T GO THAT FAR. I'VE
22 BEEN ADVISED THAT THE SPACE THAT WOULD BE AVAILABLE TO BE
23 LEASED TO A GOVERNMENT AGENCY WOULD BE 7,000 SQUARE FEET. THE
24 BUILDING WE'RE TALKING ABOUT WOULD BE-- IS FIVE STORIES. IT



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1 WOULD BE FIVE TIMES SEVEN, SO IT WOULD BE ABOUT 49,000 FEET IN
2 TOTAL OR 50,000 FEET IN TOTAL.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SO THE ONLY LEASABLE SPACE, OTHER
5 THAN TO THE CULTURAL CENTER, WOULD BE THE ONE FLOOR?

6

7 **DOUG:** TWO.

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** TWO FLOORS.

10

11 **DOUG:** YES.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SO 7,000 FEET OF FLOOR?

14

15 **DOUG:** YES.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SO IT'S 14,000 FEET.

18

19 **DOUG:** NO. 7,000 FEET IN TOTAL. THEY'RE SMALL SPACES.

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** 7,000 FEET OF FLOOR.

22

23 **DOUG:** NO. EXCUSE ME. I MISSPOKE. I'M SORRY. IT'S 7,000 FEET IN
24 TOTAL. AND THE TOTAL SQUARE FOOTAGE, SOMEONE HELP ME HERE,
25 PLEASE?



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** DOES ANYONE KNOW WHAT THE SQUARE
3 FOOTAGE OF THE...

4

5 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND THE ONLY REASON, AND MAYBE THE CLARIFICATION,
6 THE ONLY REASON IT WOULD BE LEASED IS WE FOUND OUT, IN
7 PRESERVING THIS HISTORIC BUILDING, THAT CHILDREN ARE NOT
8 PERMITTED BEYOND THE THIRD FLOOR.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I DON'T HAVE A PROBLEM WITH A
11 LEASE. I JUST WANT TO KNOW WHAT THE PERCENTAGE OF THE TOTAL.

12

13 **DOUG:** THE TOTAL SQUARE FOOTAGE OF THE SPACE IS 40,000 SQUARE
14 FEET. THE TOP TWO FLOORS, WHICH ARE THE FOURTH AND THE FIFTH,
15 ARE EACH 3,500 SQUARE FEET. AND THOSE TWO FLOORS, FOR A TOTAL
16 OF 7,000, WOULD BE LEASED OUT.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SO THE TOP TWO FLOORS ARE SMALLER
19 THAN THE BOTTOM THREE?

20

21 **SPEAKER:** THEY ARE TWO BUILDINGS THAT ARE ADJACENT TO EACH
22 OTHER. SO THE FIVE-STORY BUILDING THAT IS SOUTH IS CALLED THE
23 VICARY BRUNSWICK. IT'S THE TOP TWO FLOORS OF THAT BUILDING.

24



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AND THE OTHER BUILDING IS HOW
2 HIGH?

3

4 **SPEAKER:** IT'S CALLED THE PLAZA HOUSE AND IT'S TWO STORIES.

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AND IT'S THE FIVE-STORY ONE
7 THAT...

8

9 **SPEAKER:** IT'S THE TOP TWO FLOORS.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU. NEXT
12 TIME SOMETHING LIKE THIS COMES UP, NOT YOU, THIS IS NOT YOU,
13 YOU KNOW, WE ASK THAT THESE THINGS BE POSTED ON THE WEB NOT
14 JUST FOR THE PUBLIC. SOMETIMES THAT'S THE WAY WE GET OUR
15 INFORMATION. IT'S QUICKER THAN GETTING IT THROUGH THE COUNTY
16 MAIL SYSTEM. WE WERE NOT ABLE TO GET THIS. I'M NOT HAPPY ABOUT
17 HAVING TO SCURRY AROUND OVER THE LAST 24 HOURS TRYING TO
18 FIGURE THIS THING OUT. IT'S JUST NOT NECESSARY TO DO IT THAT
19 WAY. I'M NOT BLAMING MS. MOLINA. I KNOW THAT-- THIS IS A
20 PROJECT I'VE ALWAYS SUPPORTED AND YOU KNOW THAT. BUT I JUST--
21 THESE ARE SOME QUESTIONS THAT, ANY TIME YOU GET INTO A LEASE
22 OF THIS KIND, IT OUGHT TO BE TRANSPARENT TO ALL OF US, AS WELL
23 AS THE PUBLIC. SO I JUST ASK YOU IN THE FUTURE TO MAKE AN
24 EFFORT TO MAKE SURE THAT, WHEN SOMETHING'S SUPPOSED TO BE



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1 POSTED, IT GETS POSTED BECAUSE IT WOULD HAVE SOLVED A LOT OF
2 PROBLEMS. ALL RIGHT. ANYTHING ELSE?

3

4 **SUP. MOLINA:** I SO MOVE.

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IS THERE ANY OBJECTION?

7

8 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SECOND?

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I'LL SECOND IT. WITHOUT OBJECTION,
11 UNANIMOUS VOTE.

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA:** THANK YOU.

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL WE HAVE IS PUBLIC COMMENT?

16

17 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WE HAVE YOUR ADJOURNMENTS.

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OH, I'M SORRY.

20

21 **SUP. MOLINA:** I HAVEN'T DONE MY ADJOURNMENTS.

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I HAVEN'T DONE MINE.

24

25 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** YOU HAVE ONE.



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SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN: I HAVE ONE. I ASK THAT WE ADJOURN
TODAY IN THE MEMORY OF CAROL MCMURTRIE, A LONG TIME RESIDENT
OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 64. BORN IN
TEMPLE CITY, SHE LIVED FOR THE FIRST 30 YEARS OF HER LIFE
WHERE SHE RAISED AND TRAINED HORSES AND BRED SHOW DOGS. SHE
EVENTUALLY RELOCATED TO THE CENTRAL VALLEY AND LATER TO OHIO
AND SHE RETURNED TO SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, WHICH SHE ALWAYS
CONSIDERED HER HOME, BEFORE SHE PASSED AWAY. SHE IS SURVIVED
BY HER ONLY SON, CRAIG VINCENT JONES, A MEMBER OF THE COUNTY
FAMILY WHO SERVES AS THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE COUNTY
COMMISSION ON HIV. WITHOUT OBJECTION, THAT WILL BE THE ORDER.
MR. KNABE?

14

SUP. KNABE: THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. FIRST OF ALL, I'D LIKE TO
ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF MR. TOM MARTIN. AS WE KNEW HIM, THE
GODFATHER OF ALL FIELD DEPUTIES. TOM WAS A SON OF FORMER
MANHATTAN BEACH CITY MANAGER, GAIL MARTIN. HE WAS FORMER FIELD
REPRESENTATIVE TO FORMER STATE SENATOR, BOB BEVERLY AND MY
FAITHFUL FIELD DEPUTY FOR THE LAST 10 YEARS. HE PASSED WAY
THIS PAST FRIDAY AFTER A VALIANT FIGHT WITH CANCER. HE WAS 61
YEARS YOUNG. TOM WAS A CALIFORNIA NATIVE, HE ATTENDED GRAMMAR
SCHOOL AT MANHATTAN BEACH AND FINISHED HIGH SCHOOL IN THE
SOUTH BAY. HE GRADUATED FROM USC IN 1967, WHERE HE STUDIED
POLITICAL SCIENCE AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION. TOM ALSO SERVED



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1 IN THE NAVY DURING THE VIETNAM WAR AND THEN RETURNED TO THE
2 SOUTH BAY. IT WAS IN 1969 THAT TOM BEGAN WORKING FOR SENATOR
3 BEVERLY UNTIL THE SENATOR RETIRED FROM THE CALIFORNIA SENATE
4 IN 1996. HE THEN CAME TO WORK FOR ME SHORTLY THERE AFTER UNTIL
5 HE RETIRED RECENTLY WHEN HE FELL ILL WITH CANCER. TOM OFTEN
6 JOKED ABOUT KEEPING UP WITH THE VERY HECTIC SCHEDULE OF PUBLIC
7 FUNCTIONS, CHAMBER MIXES, AND AWARD BANQUETS, ALL
8 AFFECTIONATELY KNOWN AS THE RUBBER CHICKEN CIRCUIT AND WAS
9 QUOTED IN 1995 BY THE DAILY BREEZE SAYING, "I'VE HAD CHICKEN
10 EVERY WAY IT COULD POSSIBLY BE COOKED." OTHERS WHO RAN FOR
11 OFFICE IN THE SOUTH BAY AND I DON'T KNOW OF ANYONE CITY
12 COUNCIL MEMBER, SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS, WHATEVER, SOUGHT OUT
13 TOM'S ADVICE, DRAWING ON HIS BROAD KNOWLEDGE OF LOCAL ISSUES
14 AND HIS RAPPORT WITH LOCAL LEADERS ON BOTH SIDES OF THE AISLE.
15 HE WAS VERY INVOLVED, IN ADDITION TO HIS WORK FOR SENATOR
16 BEVERLY AND MYSELF OVER THE YEARS, IN NUMEROUS COMMUNITY
17 SERVICE CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS, INCLUDING THE NAVY LEAGUE,
18 THE ROTARY CLUB, THE CITY OF HOPE, YMCA, SOUTH BEACH SYMPHONY,
19 REDONDO BEACH BEAUTIFICATION, SOUTH BAY JUVENILE DIVISION AND
20 THE JAYCEES. HE ONCE SERVED AS PRESIDENT OF THE MANHATTAN
21 BEACH COORDINATING COUNCIL AND THE BEACH CITIES COUNCIL ON
22 AGING. HE SERVED A TERM AS TRUSTEES IN THE BEACH CITIES'
23 HEALTH DISTRICT. IN 1994, HE WAS NAMED REDONDO BEACH CHAMBER
24 OF COMMERCE MAN OF THE YEAR AND, IN 2000, WAS HONORED BY THE
25 TORRANCE CHAMBER WITH A J. WALKER OWENS OUTSTANDING VOLUNTEER



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1 AWARD. IN 1999, THE LOS ANGELES TIMES FEATURED AN EXCLUSIVE
2 COLUMN ONE PROFILE OF TOM AND UNIQUE ASPECTS OF HIS WORK AS A
3 FIELD REPRESENTATIVE TO AN ELECTED LEADER. MORE RECENTLY, WE
4 HAD OVER 100 COMMUNITY LEADERS, COUNCIL MEMBERS AND MAYORS
5 GATHER THIS PAST MONTH TO HONOR TOM BY DEDICATING A LIFEGUARD
6 TOWER ON THE MANHATTAN BEACH PIER IN HIS NAME. AS MY CURRENT
7 SOUTH BAY FIELD DEPUTY, STEVE NAPOLITANO, WHO SUCCEEDED TOM,
8 PUT IT, "THERE IS REALLY NO ONE IN THE SOUTH BAY AS A FIELD
9 REPRESENTATIVE WHO HAS HELPED MORE PEOPLE AND TOUCHED MORE
10 LIVES THAN TOM DID." HE ALWAYS DISPLAYED THE QUALITIES THAT
11 ARE THE FOUNDATION OF A TRULY REMARKABLE PUBLIC SERVANT:
12 CHARACTER, TRUSTWORTHINESS, HONOR AND COURAGE. HE USED THESE
13 ATTRIBUTES EVERY DAY IN HIS LIFETIME OF SERVICE TO COMMUNITIES
14 HE LOVED SO MUCH. TOM WAS A FRIEND, A TRUE PROFESSIONAL IN THE
15 TRUEST SENSE IN HIS RIGOROUS DEVOTION TO OUR DISTRICTS'
16 CONSTITUENCY AND TO THE PUBLIC SERVICE MATCHED BY NO OTHER. HE
17 FOUGHT THIS FIGHT OF A VERY HORRIBLE CANCER WITH DIGNITY UP TO
18 THE VERY END, NEVER COMPLAINING ONCE. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS
19 WIFE, JERRY, TWO STEPSONS, BRIAN AND JIMMY, TWO STEPDAUGHTERS,
20 TERRY AND ALICIA, AND THE FOURTH DISTRICT FAMILY.

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22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** UNANIMOUS VOTE. MR. ANTONOVICH?

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24 **SUP. KNABE:** WAIT A MINUTE. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF
25 MARINA MARTINEZ WHO PASSED AWAY ON MARCH 28TH. SHE WAS 84



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1 YEARS OLD. SHE WILL BE SORELY MISSED BY HER FAMILY AND
2 FRIENDS. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER DAUGHTER, LINDA. ALSO THAT WE
3 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF EDNA TUI TELE, A SAN PEDRO RESIDENT AND
4 DHS EMPLOYEE WITH CONTRACTS AND GRANTS WHO PASSED AWAY
5 RECENTLY. SHE WAS JUST 50 YEARS OLD WHEN SHE PASSED AWAY. SHE
6 WAS A COUNTY EMPLOYEE SINCE '75. SHE WORKED AT HARBOR MEDICAL
7 CENTER UNTIL SHE WENT TO WORK FOR CONTRACTS AND GRANTS AS A
8 SECRETARY. SHE WAS VERY WELL LIKED AND LOVED IN HER COMMUNITY
9 AS A FRIEND, TEACHER TO YOUNG CHILDREN AT HER CHURCH SHE WAS
10 ALWAYS KNOWN TO BE THERE WHEN YOU NEEDED HER AND WAS ALSO
11 INVOLVED IN COMMUNITY PROJECTS IN SAN PEDRO WHERE SHE LIVED
12 FOR MANY YEARS. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER MOTHER, LAH, SISTER,
13 COLLEEN, AND BROTHER, TEPENI. THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENTS.

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15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** UNANIMOUS VOTE. MR. ANTONOVICH?

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17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ON OCTOBER 3RD THERE WAS A BURGLARY AND
18 VANDALISM COMMITTED AT APOLLO PARK AND, UPON INVESTIGATION,
19 THE OFFICERS DISCOVERED THAT THE COUNTY TRUCK AND TOOLS WERE
20 STOLEN AND RACIAL EPITHETS WERE SPRAY PAINTED INSIDE THE
21 OFFICE BUILDING. SO I'D MOVE THAT THE BOARD EXTEND A REWARD IN
22 THE AMOUNT OF \$10,000 IN EXCHANGE FOR ANY INFORMATION LEADING
23 TO THE ARREST AND CONVICTION OF THOSE PERSONS OR PERSON
24 RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS BURGLARY AND VANDALISM AT APOLLO PARK
25 WHICH OCCURRED ON OCTOBER 3RD.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WITHOUT OBJECTION.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ALSO MOVE THAT WE READ IN, THERE HAVE BEEN
5 TWO SEXUAL ASSAULTS IN THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY BETWEEN
6 JANUARY 6TH AND MARCH 29TH IN THE 19,000 BLOCK OF FOUR OAKS
7 STREET IN CANYON COUNTRY. I MOVE THAT THE BOARD OFFER A
8 \$10,000 REWARD FOR ANY INFORMATION LEADING TO THE ARREST AND
9 CONVICTION OF THOSE PERSON OR PERSONS RESPONSIBLE FOR THOSE
10 SEXUAL ASSAULTS BETWEEN JANUARY 6TH AND MARCH 29TH.

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12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WITHOUT OBJECTION. THAT WILL BE
13 THE ORDER.

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15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND, ON JULY 11TH, THE BOARD HAD AWARDED--
16 APPROVED A REWARD OF \$10,000 FOR THE INFORMATION LEADING TO
17 THE ARREST AND CONVICTION OF DOCTOR ESFOUNDER STEVE KABADAR.
18 THAT REWARD WILL EXPIRE THIS WEEK. I MOVE THAT WE EXTEND THAT
19 REWARD FOR INFORMATION LEADING TO THE ARREST OR CONVICTION OF
20 THE PERSON RESPONSIBLE FOR THE MURDER OF DR. STEVE KABADAR,
21 FOUND SHOT AND KILLED AT HIS 200-ACRE RANCH IN LANCASTER NEAR
22 AVENUE L AND 120TH SOUTH STREET WEST AT 10:30 P.M. ON JULY
23 5TH.

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25 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** UNANIMOUS VOTE.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I'D LIKE TO MOVE, WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE

3 MOVE IN MEMORY OF A CLASSMATE OF MINE, A COLLEGE CLASSMATE. HE

4 WAS ALSO AN OFFICER IN THE YOUNG REPUBLICANS WHERE HE WAS

5 PRESIDENT DURING MY COLLEGE DAYS, FRANK EBELI, A RETIRED MEMBER

6 OF THE METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY. MRS. LUBOW DOLYNIUK OF

7 NORTHRIDGE. ALEX EDWARD PLASSCHAERT OF SANTA CLARITA VALLEY.

8 HE WAS A DANCER, STUNT MAN, CHOREOGRAPHER AND HE WAS THE

9 DANCING CHIMNEY SWEEP IN MARY POPPINS, WHERE HE DANCED ALSO

10 WITH BARBARA STREISAND IN HELLO DOLLY AND STARRED WITH GENE

11 KELLY AND FRED ASTAIRE, GINGER ROGERS, DEBBY REYNOLDS. HE WAS

12 ALSO OWNER OF ACTION UNLIMITED WITH CANYON COUNTRY DANCE

13 STUDIO. HE SPOKE SERVICES AT SANCTUARY CHURCH IN CANYON

14 COUNTRY ON SUNDAY MORNINGS. HE WAS LAST WORKING ON THE

15 CHOREOGRAPHY FOR THE EASTER PLAY THAT WAS GOING TO BE

16 PERFORMED THIS WEEK. HE PASSED AWAY MARCH 24TH. HE LEAVES

17 SEVEN CHILDREN AND HIS WIFE, BARBARA. PASTOR FATHER JAMES

18 RIIHIMAKI, WHO WAS THE PRIEST AT THE CHRIST OF THE KING

19 EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN PALMDALE. HE WAS ALSO THE ORGANIST CHOIR

20 MASTER AT OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH IN LANCASTER WHERE HE

21 DIRECTED ORGAN ACCOMPANIMENT REHEARSALS FOR THE ANTELOPE

22 VALLEY MASTER SINGING CHOIR AND HE ONCE SERVED AS CHAPLAIN FOR

23 THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE AUXILIARY CIVIL AIR PATROL.

24 MAGDALENO "MAGGIE" DEGUZMAN, A FIREFIGHTER STATION AT AIR

25 FORCE FIREHOUSE PLANT 42 IN PALMDALE. AND, WHEN ON LIBERTY, HE



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1 WAS A RESPIRATORY THERAPIST AT LANCASTER COMMUNITY HOSPITAL IN
2 ANTELOPE VALLEY. HE PASSED AWAY ON MARCH 23RD. GREGORY DORN,
3 FORMER MEMBER OF THE PASADENA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND
4 TOURNAMENT OF ROSES ASSOCIATION. HIS FATHER, GARTH DORN, WAS
5 PAST PRESIDENT OF THE TOURNAMENT OF ROSES. AND DENNIS SELLEN,
6 AGE 20 WHO WAS KILLED IN IRAQ. HE WAS A GRADUATE FROM MARION
7 MILITARY INSTITUTE, ALABAMA. RESIDENT OF NEWHALL. STUDENT AT
8 COLLEGE OF THE CANYONS IN SANTA CLARITA. HE WAS DEPLOYED IN
9 2006. HE WAS A HUMVEE GUNNER. THAT'S ALL I HAVE.

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11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** UNANIMOUS VOTE. MS. MOLINA?

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13 **SUP. MOLINA:** I HAVE ONE ADJOURNMENT. I'D LIKE TO ASK THAT WE
14 ADJOURN TODAY IN THE MEMORY OF MR. RAYMOND JIMENEZ, THE
15 BELOVED FATHER OF OUR VALINDA CORRIDOR TOWN SHERIFF, TIM
16 JIMENEZ. MR. JIMENEZ WAS A PROUD U.S. VETERAN AND A LONG TIME
17 RESIDENT OF PICO RIVERA. HE IS SURVIVED BY FOUR SONS, SIX
18 GRANDCHILDREN AND SIX GREAT GRANDCHILDREN. WE WANT TO EXTEND
19 OUR DEEPEST CONDOLENCES TO TIM AND THE ENTIRE FAMILY.

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21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** UNANIMOUS VOTE. MS. BURKE?

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23 **SUP. BURKE:** I MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF THELMA JEANNE
24 COSTON, A LONG-TIME RESIDENT OF THE SECOND DISTRICT AND KNOWN
25 COMMUNITY ACTIVIST WHO PASSED AWAY ON FRIDAY, MARCH 30TH. SHE



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1 LEAVES TO CHERISH HER MEMORY, TWO DAUGHTERS, JOANNIE MCCLAIN
2 AND DERRIS CRENSHAW, TWO SONS, CLEO MCCLAIN AND WILLIE
3 MCCLAIN, JR. SISTER, KAI PARKER, AND NEPHEW, DARREN PARKER,
4 AND A HOST OF FRIENDS AND RELATIVES. AND DARRYL MAJOR JOHNSON,
5 A LONG TIME SECOND DISTRICT RESIDENT WHO PASSED AWAY MARCH 9TH
6 AT THE AGE OF 58. HE LEAVES TO CHERISH HIS MEMORY HIS SON,
7 DARRYL JAMES JOHNSON, NIECES, STACEY, RONDA, AND JEWEL AND
8 NEPHEW, DANNY. AND JOHN "JOHNNY" L. GRIGSBY, A LONG-TIME
9 SECOND DISTRICT RESIDENT AND LOVER OF JAZZ MUSIC AND GOLF WHO
10 PASSED AWAY ON MARCH 22ND AT THE AGE OF 74. HE LEAVES TO
11 CHERISH HIS MEMORY HIS DEVOTED WIFE OF 30 YEARS, ALICE
12 GRIGSBY, SON, MYRON GRIGSBY, THREE GRANDCHILDREN AND 10
13 SIBLINGS. AND O. B. WASHINGTON, THE BELOVED FATHER OF FORMER
14 ASSEMBLYMAN CARL WASHINGTON, DIVISION CHIEF FOR L.A. COUNTY
15 PROBATION DEPARTMENT WHO PASSED AWAY YESTERDAY AT THE AGE OF
16 74. HE LEAVES TO CHERISH HIS MEMORY HIS WIFE, CORNELIA
17 WASHINGTON AND HIS 7 CHILDREN, GRANDCHILDREN AND GREAT
18 GRANDCHILDREN. MR. WASHINGTON WAS A LONG-TIME RESIDENT OF THE
19 SOUTH LOS ANGELES AREA. HE WORKED HARD ALL OF HIS LIFE TO
20 PROVIDE FOR HIS FAMILY. I'D LIKE TO ASK ALL MEMBERS.

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22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** UNANIMOUS VOTE. THAT'S IT? ALL
23 RIGHT. WE HAVE ONE PERSON WHO WANTS TO BE HEARD ON PUBLIC
24 COMMENT. JUDY WONG? IS MISS WONG HERE?

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ALSO LET ME INTRODUCE JUDY WONG AS THE NEW
2 MAYOR FOR THE CITY OF TEMPLE CITY. SHE WANTED TO COME DOWN AND
3 INTRODUCE HERSELF TODAY AND OBSERVE OUR BOARD MEETING.
4 WELCOME, JUDY AND CONGRATULATIONS.

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6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** GOOD AFTERNOON.

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8 **JUDY WONG:** GOOD AFTERNOON, YEAH. I DIDN'T EXPECT-- WELL, FIVE
9 HOURS, THAT'S A LOT OF WORK FOR YOU. BUT, ANYWAY, IT'S VERY
10 EXCITING FOR ME. TODAY WILL BE MY TWO WEEKS BEING THE MAYOR OF
11 THE CITY OF TEMPLE CITY. SO I JUST WANT TO COME HERE, SINCE WE
12 ARE A CONTRACT CITY, WE DO RECEIVE A LOT OF ASSISTANCE FROM
13 THE COUNTY OF-- LOS ANGELES COUNTY. AND WE CONTRACT WITH THE
14 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, ALSO THE FIRE DEPARTMENT. SO I WOULD
15 LIKE TO COME HERE TO EXTEND OUR THANKS FOR ALL THE WORK THAT
16 WE RECEIVE FROM THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AND WE ARE LOOKING
17 FORWARD FOR THE FUTURE WORK. AND THANK YOU.

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19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, MAYOR.

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21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU. GOOD TO SEE YOU.

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23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** GOOD TO HAVE YOU HERE. SACHI?

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS,
2 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL
3 CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM CS-1, CONFERENCE
4 WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING EXISTING LITIGATION, ITEMS CS-2
5 AND CS-5, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING SIGNIFICANT
6 EXPOSURE TO LITIGATION, TWO CASES. ITEM CS-3, DEPARTMENT HEAD
7 PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS, AND ITEM CS-4, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL
8 COUNSEL REGARDING INITIATION OF LITIGATION, ONE CASE, AS
9 INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA AND SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. THANK
10 YOU.

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REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION ON APRIL 3, 2007

CS-1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION

(Subdivision (a) of Government Code Section 54956.9) Susan L. Bouman v. Leroy D. Baca, U.S. District Court Case No. CV 80-1341 RMT

This is a class action lawsuit regarding past gender discrimination practices and the procedures for investigating harassment complaints within the Sheriff's Department.

No reportable action was taken.

CS-2. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

(Subdivision (b) of Government Code Section 54956.9)

Significant exposure to litigation (one case)

No reportable action was taken

CS-3. DEPARTMENT HEAD PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS (Government Code

Section 54957) Department Head performance evaluations. No

reportable action was taken



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1 CS-4. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

2 (Subdivision (c) of Government Code Section 54956.9)

3 Initiation of litigation (one case)

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5 The Board continued this item one week to April 10, 2007

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7 CS-5. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

8 (Subdivision (b) of Government Code Section 54956.9)

9 Significant exposure to litigation (one case)

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11 The Board continued this item one week to April 10, 2007.

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2 Number 6029/RPR/CRR qualified in and for the State of
3 California, do hereby certify:

4 That the transcripts of proceedings recorded by the
5 Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors April 3, 2007,
6 were thereafter transcribed into typewriting under my
7 direction and supervision;

8 That the transcript of recorded proceedings as
9 archived in the office of the reporter and which
10 have been provided to the Los Angeles County Board of
11 Supervisors as certified by me.

12 I further certify that I am neither counsel for, nor
13 related to any party to the said action; nor
14 in anywise interested in the outcome thereof.

15 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 9th
16 day of April 2007 for the County records to be used only for
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